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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Jeremiah Long, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Benjamin Lucas Judkins, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq. Ald.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 30th June last were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. A Deputation, consisting of the under-mentioned gentlemen, from the Boards of Works for the Greenwich, Lewisham, and Plumstead Districts, introduced by Mr. Richardson, and Mr. Brooker, attended the Board, and presented Memorials to the same effect on the subject of the existing nuisances and encroachments on Blackheath, viz.—Mr. Lloyd, of the Plumstead District Board of Works; Mr. Reddington, of the Lewisham District Board of Works; Mr. James, Clerk to the Greenwich District Board of Works, and Mr. Edwards, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board of Works.

The Memorial from the Greenwich District Board of Works was read, as follows—

To the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District,

Respectfully sheweth,

That your Memorialists beg to transmit to your Honorable Board, herewith, copies of Resolutions passed at a joint Meeting of Committees, appointed by the several District Boards of Greenwich,

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Lewisham and Plumstead, and held on the 8th day of June instant, and to which your Memorialists crave your Honorable Board's attention and support.

That it will be seen by such Resolutions that the opinion of that Meeting was unanimously in favor of powers being given to your Honorable Board to take charge of Blackheath, and other Commons and Open Spaces within the Metropolitan District, to make Bye-laws and regulations for the maintenance and preservation thereof, to promote good order and prevent nuisances and encroachments thereon, and to keep the same free for the health and recreation of the public.

That your Memorialists, fully concurring in the Resolutions so passed, pray that your Honorable Board will be pleased to take this matter in hand, and adopt such measures as you may deem advisable to obtain the necessary powers, to put a stop to the evils referred to in the copy of the Resolutions herewith transmitted, and to regulate and maintain Blackheath, and other similar Open Spaces in the Metropolis, for the use and recreation of the public.

The Common Seal of the Board of Works for the Greenwich District was hereto affixed at a Meeting of the Board, in the presence of

L. S.

(Signed) E. W. JAMES,
Clerk.

At a Meeting of the Committees of the Boards of Works for the Districts of Greenwich, Lewisham and Plumstead, respectively, held at the Alexandra-rooms at Lee, in Kent, on the 8th day of June, 1865, to consider the proper steps to be taken for the preservation of Blackheath from nuisances, obstructions, and encroachments, with reference to the object of the Select Committee of the House of Commons, now sitting, in relation to Commons and Open Spaces within the Metropolitan District,

The Reverend William Aldwin Soames, M.A., Vicar of Greenwich, in the Chair,

The following Resolutions were passed unanimously—

That this Meeting, consisting of Committees appointed by the several District Boards of Works for Greenwich, Lewisham, and Plumstead, are of opinion that encroachments and nuisances on Blackheath have been yearly increasing, and have at length become so excessive and objectionable as to render it imperatively necessary that some effective steps should be taken, without delay, to put an end to them.

That it appears to this Meeting that one of the most objectionable encroachments is that of digging gravel on Blackheath, in the Crown Manor of Greenwich, and that a Petition should be presented to Parliament, urging the Government to relinquish the Gravel Digging on the Heath, and also to remove all existing booths, and other erections on the waste, or Common, of the Royal Manor, and to refuse all applications for such purposes in future.

That Petitions should also be presented to Parliament from the several District Boards of Greenwich, Lewisham, and Plumstead, praying that power may be given to the Metropolitan Board of Works, or some other body, or functionary, to take charge of, and make Bye-laws for the preservation and regulation of Blackheath, and other like Open Spaces in the vicinity of the Metropolis, which shall not interfere with the freedom and recreation of the public, but shall prevent nuisances, encroachments, and obstructions, and promote good order in such Open Spaces.

That the Members of Parliament of the Borough of Greenwich, and for the Western Division of the County of Kent, be requested to support the prayers of such Petitions, and the views of this Meeting, in the House of Commons, and endeavour to obtain from Government an expression of opinion in conformity with such views.

That copies of these Resolutions be forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works, accompanied by a Memorial from the several District Boards, urgently requesting that Board to take this matter in hand, and adopt such measures as they may deem advisable to obtain the necessary legal powers to put a stop to the evils complained of, and to regulate Blackheath, and other similar Open Spaces in the Metropolis, for the use and recreation of the public.

That a Deputation from this Meeting, consisting of two Members from each of the several District Boards, do obtain an interview with the Metropolitan Board of Works in support of the proposed Memorials to that body, and to urge them to adopt and promote the views of this Meeting.

That copies of these Resolutions be also forwarded to the Earl of Dartmouth, and the Trustees of the Estate of Sir Gregory Page Turner, with a request that they will join the action of this Meeting, and co-operate with the several District Boards in carrying the same into effect.

(Signed) W. A. SOAMES,
Chairman.

The Deputation having addressed the Board in support thereof,

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference on the 10th February last, (No. 12).

3. The Clerk laid before the Board, Tenders for taking the Sewage on the South side of the Thames, the Advertisements for which had been issued in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 28th April last, (No. 37).

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders from the undermentioned parties were then opened, as follows—

Mr. Rigby Wason, Corwar Girwan, Ayrshire.
Mr. George Shepherd, C.E., No. 26, Throgmorton-street.
Mr. C. F. Kirkman, No. 43, Parliament-street.
Mr. B. Smith, No. 8, Roman-terrace, Roman-road, Barnsbury-Park.
Mr. Thomas Ellis, No. 76, Warwick-square, Belgravia.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the said Tenders be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board; that they be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration; that the Engineer be instructed to report to the Committee on the engineering features of each scheme, and that the Committee be requested to present their Report at the earliest possible period.

4. The Clerk reported that the sum of £9,067 11s. 8d., mentioned in the Precept, dated 13th January, 1865, for the ordinary expenses of the Board, and for payment of the mortgages, annuities, securities, debts, and liabilities which, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848, were a charge upon and payable out of the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder, for the year 1865, addressed to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, was still unpaid.

The Clerk laid before the Board the letter from Mr. Chappell, Vestry Clerk, St. George, Hanover-square, presented on the 30th June instant, (No. 1), stating that the Vestry had resolved not to collect the Rates to meet the Precepts of the Board, but to leave it to the Board to make and collect the rates, as on previous occasions.

And it being made to appear to the Board that the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, had neglected and failed to obey the Precept of the Board, issued on the 13th January, 1865, and duly served upon the said Vestry, it was

Resolved—That Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace be appointed to levy in the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, and parts of the said Parish, the money required by this Board, amounting to £9,067 11s. 8d., in manner following, that is to say—

The Sum of Eight thousand six hundred and ninety pounds, three shillings, and sixpence on the whole of the said Parish, which sum is charged for defraying the expenses of the said Board in the execution of the said Acts;

The sum of Seventeen pounds and fourteen shillings on that part of the said Parish which was, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," included in the Ranelagh separate Sew-

erage District, which sum is charged for payment of the mortgages, annuities, securities, debts, and liabilities, which at, and immediately before, the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon, and payable out of, the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder, upon the said part of the said Parish, and which mortgages, annuities, securities, debts, and liabilities were, and are, by virtue of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," charged on the said part of the said Parish;

And the Sum of Three hundred and fifty-nine pounds, fourteen shillings, and two pence, on that part of the said Parish which was, at and immediately before, the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," included in the Western Division of the Westminster Sewers separate Sewerage District, which sum is charged for payment of the mortgages, annuities, securities, debts, and liabilities, which at, and immediately before, the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon, and payable out of, the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder, upon the said part of the said Parish, and which mortgages, annuities, securities, debts, and liabilities were, and are, by virtue of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," charged on the said part of the said Parish;

which said sums are mentioned in the said Precept, dated the 13th January, 1865, and that the Clerk of the Board do prepare and submit to the Board a proper Instrument of Appointment of the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace to levy in the said Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, and parts of the said Parish, the said money, together with all the expenses of, and incidental to, the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any rate or rates which may be made by them, for the purpose of raising the said sum, under the provisions of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," and the Acts for amending the same, and of the "Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864."

The Clerk laid before the Board a form of Appointment of the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace.

Resolved—That the said Instrument of Appointment be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that the same, when sealed, be delivered to the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, as their appointment to levy the said sum of £9,067 11s. 8d., mentioned in the said Precept, together with all the expenses of, and incidental to, the preparing, making, collecting, and levying any rate or rates which may be made by them for the purpose of raising the said sum; and the Seal of the Board was affixed to such Instrument of Appointment accordingly.

Resolved—That each of them, the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, do enter into a joint and several bond, with one or two sureties, conditioned for faithfully levying the said amount, and duly paying the same to the Treasurer and Banker of this Board.

5. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
28th June, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report, for the information of your Honorable Board, that, in pursuance of your Resolution of the 10th October, 1862, (No. 6), they have unanimously

appointed John Samuel Phillips, Esq., as Deputy Chairman of the Committee, to bring up their Reports to the Board, and to preside at their Meetings in the absence of the Chairman of the Board.

In pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd January, 1865, (No. 2), your Committee have to report that they have drawn the under-mentioned Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House; and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in accordance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4), viz.—

Metropolis Improvement Act, 1863, (*New Street to Mansion House.*)

Re Higgs and Ford, (No. 237, Upper Thames-street),

Purchase-money, one moiety (Maria Higgs) - - - -	£1,250	0	0
Interest, less tax - - - - - - - - - -	16	6	8
Purchase-money, other moiety, (Thomas Heaton Ford) - -	1,250	0	0
Interest, less tax - - - - - - - - - -	16	6	8
Surveyor's costs, (Herbert Williams) - - - - - -	52	0	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Godwin and Peckett) - - - -	20	4	11

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

6. Mr. Hall brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
28th June, 1865.

Your Honorable Board having by your resolution of the 10th October, 1862, (No. 6), instructed each of your Committees to appoint a Deputy Chairman to bring up their reports to the Board, and to preside at their Meetings in the absence of the Chairman of the Board, your Committee have to report, for the information of your Honorable Board, that they have unanimously appointed William Tite, Esq., M P., as their Deputy Chairman, for the purposes above mentioned.

Your Committee have also to report, that in the exercise of the authority given to them by the resolution of the Board of the 5th August, 1864, (No. 33), they have drawn the following Cheque on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, being a payment in connection with property required for the purposes of the Thames Embankment, South, viz.—

Re Rawlinson—

W. H. Withall (half-year's rent of Wharf at Stangate) - £350 0 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That it be received.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th July, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.				
New-road, South side of Upper Richmond-road, Putney	about 970	3′0″×2′0″	½ brick	The same as applied for.
CAMBERWELL.				
Croxted-lane, Dulwich	500	15 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
	400	12 inch	pipe	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

8. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
6th July, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 5th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	5,036	5,819
No. 2 Contract	...	259
	5,036	6,078

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 5th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	48,964	108,142
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	55,828	118,318

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 174,146 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the said Report be received.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th July, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Camberwell, for permission to stop up Alpha-street, Green Hundred-road, Carlton-road, Clifton-road, York-grove, George-street, Charles-street, Arthur-street and Shaw-square, for a period of twelve weeks, for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th July, 1865, stating that, under the authority given to him by the Board on the 30th January, 1863, (No. 4), he had, on the 1st instant, sanctioned the closing of Chapel-street, Edgware-road, for the period of one week, commencing on the 3rd instant, for the purpose of executing paving works, it being a work of emergency, and further stating that the Surveyor of the Vestry of St. Marylebone now applied for the sanction of the Board to keep the street closed for a further period of three weeks, commencing on the 10th instant, recommending the sanction of the Board thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the steps taken by the Engineer, with regard to the closing of the street in question, be sanctioned and approved; and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the 10th June instant.

11. The Engineer laid before the Board a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
3rd July, 1865.

Gentlemen,

In compliance with the requirements of tho 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, I beg to submit this my ninth Annual Report on the several works executed and the general business transacted in the Department under the direction of your Engineer, during the year ending the 25th of March last.

The termination of that year having witnessed the virtual completion of the whole of the Main Drainage Works, with the exception of those in connection with the Northern Low Level line, and which are dependent on the construction of the Thames Embankment, I now submit a general description of those works, the first section of which was commenced on the 31st January, 1859, and the whole system completed and formally opened by His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales, in the presence of a numerous and distinguished company, on the 4th of April last.

THE NORTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

THE HIGH LEVEL SEWER was constructed under one contract. It commences by a junction with the Fleet Sewer, at the foot of Hampstead-hill, and passes along Gordon House-lane, and across the Highgate-road. It is carried through Tufnell Park-road, Holloway-road, under the Great Northern Railway and the New River to High-street, Stoke Newington, at Abney Park Cemetery. It then passes under the Rectory and Amhurst roads to Church-street, Hackney; under the North London Railway, through Victoria-park, and under Sir George Duckett's Canal, to a junction with the Middle Level Sewer. Up to this point it is a drainage sewer, that is to say, it is a substitute for the open Fleet and Hackney Brook main sewers, which have since been filled-in and abandoned; and it has been constructed of such dimensions, as to be capable of carrying off the largest and most sudden falls of rain. It is about 7 miles long, drains an area of about 10 square miles, and intercepts the sewage of Hampstead, part of Kentish Town, Highgate, Hackney, Clapton, Stoke Newington, and Holloway. A portion of the district adjoining the Hackney Marshes is so low, that it was necessary to drain it through a branch passing into the Low Level Sewer. The form of the High Level Sewer is mostly circular, and it varies in size from 4 feet in diameter to 9 feet 6 inches by 12 feet; its fall is rapid, ranging at the upper end from 1 in 71 to 1 in 376, and from 4 to 5 feet per mile at the lower end.

It is constructed of stock brickwork, varying in thickness from 9 inches to 2 feet 3 inches, and the invert is lined with Staffordshire blue bricks, in order to withstand the scour arising from the

rapid fall. One tunnel, from Maiden-lane towards Hampstead, is about ½ a mile long, and great care was necessary in tunnelling under the New River, its channel being on an embankment where it intersects the line of sewer; also under the Great Northern Railway, at a place where its embankment is 30 feet high, the sewer being 7 feet 6 inches in diameter, and the brickwork 14 inches in thickness.

Much house-property was successfully tunnelled under at Hackney. One house, adjoining the Railway Station, was underpinned and placed upon iron girders, and the sewer, being there 9 feet 3 inches in diameter, was carried through the cellar without further injury to the house. The Sewer is carried close under the bottom of Sir George Duckett's Canal, the distance between the soffit of the arch of the sewer and the water in the canal being only 24 inches. The bottom of the canal and the top of the sewer are here formed of iron girders and plates, with a thin coating of puddle, and no leakage from the canal has taken place. This was the first portion of the Main Drainage works executed, and it was completed in the year 1854. The whole of the High Level Sewer, including the Penstock Chamber, was completed in May, 1861, and has been in full operation since that date.

The Penstock Chamber, which is formed at the junction of the High and Middle Level Sewers at Old Ford, Bow, is provided with five large iron penstocks, worked by machinery, by which the sewage can be diverted at will either into the two lower channels, formed for the discharge of the storm-waters into the River Lea, or into the two upper channels constructed over that river, and forming the commencement of the Northern Outfall Sewer. As a rule the lower channels will be closed, and the sewage will flow through the two upper channels to Barking Creek; but in times of heavy rain, as soon as the waters have risen to the top of the upper channels, the surplus will flow over five weirs, constructed in the chamber, into the lower channnels, and be discharged by them into the Lea. In case of any sudden accident to the intercepting sewers, the whole of the sewage could, by raising the lower penstock, be diverted in a few minutes into that river.

The penstock and weir chamber is a novel arrangement, which has proved to be simple and satisfactory in its operation, and places three-fourths of the Northern sewage completely under command. It is built in brickwork, is about 150 feet in length, 40 feet in breadth, and, in places, 30 feet in height.

The principal difficulties to be overcome in the construction of this line of sewer arose from the continued combinations and strikes amongst the workmen, which at that time prevailed in various parts of England.

A long continued wet season also prevented the manufacture of bricks, the demand for which was greately increased by the formation of several metropolitan railways and other public works at the same period, and the prices of building materials and labour rose considerably. The combination of these untoward circumstances rendered this an unprofitable work for the Contractor, Mr. W. Moxon.

The total cost of this contract, with the addition of £6,171 16s. 4d. for the construction of the Western foundation of the Aqueduct over the Lee, and about 60 feet of sewer in connection therewith, is £209,988 4s. 1d.

The Middle Level Sewer was formed under one contract, and is carried as near to the Thames as the contour of the ground will permit, with the object of intercepting as much sewage as possible by gravitation, and reducing to a minimum the low level area which is dependent upon pumping. The area intercepted by this sewer is 17½ square miles in extent, and is densely inhabited. The sewer commences near the Harrow-road at Kensal-green, passes under the Paddington Canal into the Uxbridge-road at Notting-hill, along Oxford-street, Hart-street, Liquorpond-street, and across Clerkenwell-green; thence by way of Old-street-road to High-street, Shoreditch, along Church-street, Bethnal Green-road, and Green-street, under the Regent's Canal and the North London Railway, to a junction with the High Level Sewer at the Penstock Chamber at Bow. In order to enlarge the area drained by gravitation, a branch, 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches, with a fall of 4 feet per mile, is carried along Piccadilly, passes through Leicester-square and Lincoln's-inn-fields to the main line at King's-road, Gray's-inn-road. The length of the main line is about 9½ miles, and of the Piccadilly Branch 2 miles, besides which there are minor branches and feeders. The fall of the Main Sewer varies from 17½ feet per mile at the upper end, by a gradual reduction to 2 feet per mile at the lower end.

The sizes vary from 4 feet 6 inches by 3 feet to 10 feet 6 inches in diameter, and lastly to 9 feet 6 inches by 12 feet at the outlet. About 4 miles of the main line, and the whole of the Piccadilly Branch, were constructed by tunnelling under the streets, at depths varying from 20 to 60 feet. This

sewer is formed mostly in the London clay; to the East of Shoreditch it is constructed through gravel, and during the execution of the works under the Regent's Canal, the water burst into the sewer, fortunately giving sufficient warning to prevent any loss of life. The sewer was afterwards constructed under the canal, by enclosing one-half of the width of the tunnel at a time within a coffer-dam, and then by open cutting.

The Middle Level Sewer is carried over the Metropolitan Railway by a wrought-iron aqueduct 150 feet span, weighing 240 tons; the depth of construction between the underside of the aqueduct and the inverts of the double line of sewers being only 2½ inches. As the traffic of the railway could not be stopped during the construction of the aqueduct, which is only a few inches above the engine chimneys, the structure was built upon a stage, at a height of 5 feet above its intended ultimate level, and was afterwards lowered into place by means of hydraulic rams. This stage was necessarily of great strength and was carefully constructed; the sewers being formed by wrought-iron plates riveted together.

This sewer has been completed and in active operation for some months past. Its cost, so far as can be ascertained till the accounts are finally adjusted with the Contractors, Messrs. Brassey and Company, is £318,334.

The Middle Level Sewer is provided with weirs, or storm overflows, at its various junctions with all the main valley lines. One of these, the Ranelagh Storm Overflow Sewer, traverses Hyde-park and Kensington-gardens, and is about 5,700 feet in length. It was constructed by Mr. W. Dethick, under a separate Contract, and at a cost, including certain additional works not contemplated at the letting of the Contract, of £31,580.

The Low Level Sewer, besides intercepting the sewage from the low level area, which contains 11 square miles, will also be the main outlet for a district of about 14½ square miles, forming the Western suburb of London, which is so low, that its sewage will have to be lifted at Chelsea a height of 17½ feet, into the upper end of the Low Level Sewer. This sewer will commence at the Grosvenor Canal, Pimlico, and pass along Lupus-street and Besborough-street, to and along the river side from Vauxhall-bridge. From Westminster-bridge to Blackfriars it is being formed as part of the Thames Embankment; and thence it will pass under a portion of the new street to the Mansion House, and will probably take the line of the Inner Circle Railway to Tower-hill. From Tower-hill it is being formed, mostly by tunnelling, along Mint-street, Cable-street, Back-road, Commercial-road, and under the Limehouse-cut and Bow-common. It is now being tunnelled under the River Lea, on its route to the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, where its contents will be raised 36 feet by steam power. The total length of the Main Line, with its two branches, one from Homerton and the other from the Isle of Dogs, will be about 12¼ miles; and the sizes will vary from 6 feet 9 inches to 10 feet 3 inches in diameter, with an inclination ranging from 2 to 3 feet per mile. The eastern portion only of the line, exclusive of that above referred to in connection with the Embankment, is at present being constructed. The contract for this portion was taken by Mr. W. Webster for the sum of £229,000; of which the value of the work done up to the 25th of March last is estimated at £66,565; or to the present time £105,284, being £11,964 in excess of my last Monthly Report, and representing a total length of two miles of sewer completed.

The Western Division includes Fulham, Chelsea, Brompton, Kensington, Shepherd's Bush, Hammersmith, and part of Acton. It was originally intended to deodorize, or utilize, the sewage of this district in its own neighbourhood, rather than to incur the heavy cost of carrying it to Barking, and lifting it twice on its route to that place. But strong objections to this having been raised, the latter and more costly plan has since been adopted, and now forms part of the Low Level system of drainage.

The whole district has had a new system of main sewers laid down within it, which are conveyed into one channel passing under the West London Extension Railway, and the Kensington Canal, near to Cremorne Gardens, where a temporary pumping station has been erected, and the sewage is, and will continue to be, lifted into the river, until the Low Level Sewer is completed.

The Chiswick Line commences at Chiswick Mall, and passing near to the river and along the Fulham-road, and Walham-green, again skirts the river to Cremorne-gardens, and will be extended eventually to the permanent pumping station near the Grosvenor Canal.

The Fulham Branch commences at Fulham-bridge, and joins the Chiswick line at the King's-road.

The size of the main line varies from 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches to 4 feet 6 inches diameter, with a fall of 4 feet per mile, the depth below the surface being from 14 to 30 feet. The Branch varies in size from 3 feet 9 inches by 2 feet 6 inches to 4 feet 6 inches by 3 feet, its fall being 10⅓ feet per mile, and its depth about 17 feet.

The Acton Branch is carried along the Uxbridge-road from the Stamford Brook, at Wormholt Scrubs, to the Counters Creek Sewer at Royal-crescent, Notting-hill, into which it diverts the water from the higher ground, and which forms a storm outlet into the Thames, near Cremorne Gardens. The Uxbridge Road Sewer varies from 3 feet 9 inches by 2 feet 6 inches to 4 feet by 2 feet 8 inches; it has a fall of 4 feet per mile, and is about 14 feet deep.

The Chiswick Sewer is 3¼ miles long, the Fulham Sewer 1 mile 720 feet, and the Acton Branch 1½ miles. Besides these, there are various other minor branches and works. These for the present discharge into a large well or sump, at the temporary Pumping Station, near Cremorne-gardens.

The works were executed mainly through gravel, charged with such large volumes of water, that it was necessary to lay stoneware pipes under the inverts of the sewers, to lower the water in the ground, and to convey it to numerous and powerful steam pumps in the line of the works, before the sewers could be constructed. The operation of passing under railways and canals, difficult in so treacherous a subsoil, was successfully accomplished in the execution of these works, and no serious accidents or failures occurred.

The Acton Branch was contracted for by Messrs. Walker and Neave, and its cost is £9,820 11s. 10d. The remaining sewers, comprehended in the Western system, were contracted for by Mr. W. Moxon, and have cost up to the 25th of March last, as far as can be ascertained till the accounts are rendered, £79,740; or £96,740 to the present time; of which £800 is due to the progress made with the extension works in the past month.

The Northern Outfall Sewer is a work of peculiar construction; as, unlike ordinary sewers, it is raised above the level of the surrounding neighbourhood in an embankment, which has the appearance of a railway embankment, and it is carried by aqueducts over rivers, railways, streets, and roads. It commences by a junction with the High and Middle Level Sewers, at the Penstock Chamber at Bow, and passes immediately under the rails of the North London Railway, which are carried over it on girders. It then passes under Wick-lane, which has been raised 18 feet, and then over the River Lea by a wrought-iron aqueduct 57 feet span. This aqueduct consists of two wrought-iron culverts of the same section as the brick sewers, and over these is formed a roadway with parapet walls, the whole being supported by three wrought-iron plate girders. Indeed, all the aqueducts on this line of sewer are so constructed as to carry a wide roadway upon plates and girders on the top of them. Four other streams between the River Lea and the Stratford-road are crossed over, by iron tubes, of spans varying from 18 to 45 feet; and the sewers pass close under the rails of the Eastern Counties Railway, where it is in embankment, the work having been executed without any interference with the traffic on the railway. The Outfall Sewer, up to this point, consists of two culverts, each 9 feet by 9 feet, placed side by side, formed with upright sides, and semicircular crowns and segmental inverts. These are built upon a solid concrete embankment, carried through the peat soil down to the gravel, which in many places lies at a great depth below the surface. Concrete is also carried up with a slope of 1 to 1, so as to form an abutment to the sides of the sewers. The whole structure is then covered with an earthen embankment, with slopes of 1½ to 1, the foot of which is fenced in by a quick-set hedge and a ditch, forming an outward appearance of a simple railway embankment. It is executed of sufficient strength to carry a railway or a roadway on the top, and will no doubt, at some future time, be used for some such public object. The outer earthen embankment not being carried below the surface, has from time to time subsided into the peat marshes through which it is formed, and these settlements have been made good in the ordinary manner; but the sewer and its concrete embankment have shown no sign of settlement or fracture since their completion. At the Stratford-road, the top of the sewer was depressed and carried under the road by four culverts, each 6 feet high and 7 feet 3 inches wide, covered with cast-iron plates. A large amount of property was purchased, and the road raised 10 feet upon a viaduct to pass over the sewer at an inclination of 1 in 50. From the Stratford-road the double line of sewer is continued over Abbey Mill-lane, by two self-support-

ing wrought-iron tubes, to the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, where the contents of the Low Level Sewer will be raised 36 feet. From this point three parallel lines of sewer, of the same form and dimensions as those before described, are continued to the outlet at Barking-creek. Gates and overflow weirs are formed in the line of these culverts, which enable the sewage to be turned into either or all of them at will, and prevent any one of them being at any time overcharged. Just beyond the pumping station, the three lines pass over the Channelsea River and Abbey Creek, by cast-iron culverts, supported by four wrought-iron plate girders of two spans of 40 feet each. They are then carried over Marsh-lane, the North Woolwich and the Bow and Barking Railways, by aqueducts somewhat similar to those already described. These railways were lowered to enable the sewer to pass over them; for the sewer being reduced to a minimum uniform fall of 2 feet per mile, could not be raised or depressed like a railway, to accommodate its levels to those of previously existing works. This, indeed, constituted one of the great difficulties experienced in laying out the line of the Outfall Sewer, for the district through which it passes was already closely intersected by public works. For the same cause, also, the thickness of the ironwork between the bottom of the sewer and the underside of the aqueduct was reduced to a minimum, and it does not in most cases exceed 5 inches.

For a distance of about 1½ miles at the lower end of this sewer, so great was the depth of the peat in the marshes, that it would have been very costly to have excavated the whole of the ground down to the gravel, and to have filled it in with solid concrete. The plan therefore adopted for the foundations of this length, was to excavate cross-trenches, 6 feet 6 inches wide, at distances of 21 feet from each other, down to the solid ground, and to fill these in with concrete piers upon which brick arches of four rings in thickness were turned, and the sewers were built upon these arches. The top of the bank is 40 feet wide, and in some cases 25 feet above the level of the marshes.

From the crossing of the Bow and Barking Railway, the triple sewer is constructed in brickwork to its outlet at Barking-creek; crossing in its route the five following roads, viz.—Balaam-street, Plaistow; Barking-road, Prince Regent-lane, Blind-lane, and East Ham Hall Manor-way, which were raised for the purpose 6, 8, 13, 20, and 16 feet, respectively.

The invert of the sewer at the outlet is about 18 inches below high-water mark; but before entering the river, the sewage falls over an apron a depth of 16 feet, and is discharged by nine culverts, each 6 feet high by 6 feet wide, laid at the level of low-water spring-tides. The three upper sewers are, however, fitted with penstocks, before reaching the tumbling-bay, to afford the means of closing the river outlet, and of diverting the sewage into the reservoir, in which it will be stored for about eleven hours per tide. The reservoir is so situate, that the sewers form one side of it, and a communication is made between them by sixteen openings, through which, when the penstocks are closed, the sewage enters the reservoir, and is there stored until high water. The sluices at the lower part of the reservoir are then opened, which allow the sewage in the reservoir to be discharged into the river through the nine 6-feet culverts; and the three penstocks, which closed the river outlet, being opened at the same time, the sewage is simultaneously discharged directly into the river from the outfall sewers without being first passed through the reservoir. The upper openings from the outfall sewer into the reservoir are also fitted with sluices, to enable communication between the sewer and the reservoir to be shut off in cases of necessity, and the whole of the waters to be discharged over the tumbling bay. At the river end of the nine culverts, a channel is cut in the bed of the river, the floor of which is formed of concrete, and the sides protected by campsheathing, so that the sewage is discharged into the bed of the river at the time of high water. The whole of this line is completed, and has been in operation since March, 1864.

Mr. G. Furness was the Contractor for this work, and its cost, exclusive of the land purchased by the Board, is, as nearly as can be ascertained till the Referee has given his decision upon the items referred to him by the Board, £649,760.

The Barking Reservoir is 16¾ feet average depth, and is divided by partition walls into four compartments, covering altogether an effective area of 412,384 superficial feet, or about 9½ acres. The external and partition walls are of brickwork, and the entire area is covered by brick arches supported upon brick piers, the floor being paved throughout with York stone. The reservoir, being almost entirely above the general surface of the ground, is covered by an embankment of earth,

rising about 2 feet above the crown of the arches. The ground over which it is built being unfit to sustain the structure, the foundations of the piers and walls were carried down in concrete to a depth of nearly 20 feet.

The sewage is ordinarily prevented rising above a certain level in the reservoir, by means of a weir or overflow in the partition walls which are built hollow, the spaces communicating with the discharging culverts below the outfall sewers. In cases of necessity, however, the reservoirs can be filled above the weir level, by closing penstocks fitted to the discharging culverts at their entrance into the tumbling bay before referred to. A culvert, communicating with the river, is built at the back of the reservoir, having openings into each compartment fitted with penstocks, and by these means any one of the compartments may be filled with tidal water at the top of the tide, and be flushed out by its discharge at the period of low water. This reservoir is completed, and has been in efficient operation since August, 1864. It was constructed by Mr. G. Furness, and the cost of the contract is, pending the final adjustment of the account, £172,800.

The Abbey Mills Pumping Station will be the largest establishment of the kind on the Main Drainage Works, providing as it will do, engine power to the extent of 1,140 horse-power, for the purpose of lifting a maximum quantity of sewage and rainfall of 15,000 cubic feet per minute, a height of 36 feet.

The engine power will be divided amongst eight engines, each being equivalent to 142 horse-power. Each engine will be furnished with two boilers, making sixteen boilers in all. The engines are to be contained in one building, and arranged in pairs, the building being cruciform in plan, and containing two engines in each arm of the cross. These engines, as in all the other pumping establishments on these works, will be expansive, condensing, rotative beam engines, but somewhat more powerful than those used elsewhere, the cylinders being 4 feet 6 inches in diameter with a length of stroke of 9 feet. The pumps will differ also in being double-acting, a circumstance which admits of the air-pump, &c., being worked from the main beam, instead of from a distinct beam, as at the other stations. Each engine will work two pumps, having a diameter of 3 feet 10½ inches and a length of stroke of 4½ feet. The boilers are to be each 8 feet in diameter, and 30 feet long, with double furnaces.

The engine-house will be divided in height into three compartments, the lower one being the pump-well, into which the sewage is to be conveyed from the Low Level Sewer, the intermediate one forming a reservoir for condensing water, and the upper being more correctly the engine-house, in which will be contained the eight engines. The lower part of this building will be laid about 3 feet above the bottom of a thick stratum of clay, overlying a considerable thickness of sand with water, through which the foundations are to be carried, by piling, on to a bed of firm gravel below. The boiler-houses and other portions of the work will be founded upon the clay stratum overlying the sand. As these deep foundations are situate in close proximity to the Northern Outfall Sewer, which is contained in an embankment above the general level of the ground, great caution will be requisite to prevent any settlement in that sewer. The boiler-house and coal-stores are to be built between the outfall sewer and the engine-house, keeping the deep excavations as far distant from the sewer as practicable. The coal stores will be built with their floors level with the stoke-holes in the boiler-house, and tramways will be laid from one to the other; one side of the coal stores forming also the front side of the boiler-house. This floor will be only a trifle below the present surface of the ground, which is 6 feet below high water. Tramways will be laid from the top of the coal-stores to the Abbey Mill River, adjacent to the works, where a wharf-wall will be built for landing coals and other materials.

The sewage from the Low Level Sewer, before entering the pump-wells, will pass through open iron cages, the bars of which will intercept any substances likely to interfere with the proper action of the pump-valves; and the cages, when requisite, will be lifted above ground, by proper gearing, and the intercepted matter be discharged into trucks, or otherwise removed. The sewage will then pass into the wells, and be lifted by the pumps, through hanging-valves, into a circular culvert of cast-iron, and thence forced into any of the three culverts forming the Northern Outfall Sewers.

The estimated consumption of coal at this station will be about 9,700 tons per annum, but the cost of pumping is not entirely in excess of former expenditure upon the drainage; for the cost

of removing deposit from the tide-locked and stagnant sewers in London formerly amounted to a sum of about £30,000 per annum; and the substitution of a constant flow through the sewers, by means of pumping, must necessarily largely reduce the deposit in the sewers, and consequently the annual cost of cleansing.

Messrs. Rothwell and Company obtained the contract for the requisite construction and erection of the engines and machinery at this station for the sum of £54,570; and that firm are proceeding with the preparation thereof, at their foundry at Bolton. The contract drawings and specification for the building are nearly completed, and ready for submission for Tender.

The South side of the Thames.

The High Level Sewer and its Southern Branch, correspond with the High and Middle Level Sewers on the North side of the Thames. The Main Line commences at Clapham, and the Branch Line at Dulwich, and they together drain an area of about 20 square miles, including Tooting, Streatham, Clapham, Brixton, Dulwich, Camberwell, Peckham, Norwood, Sydenham, and part of Greenwich. Both lines are constructed of sufficient capacity to carry off all the flood-waters, so that they may be entirely intercepted from the low and thickly-inhabited district, which is tide-locked and subjected to floods. The storm-waters will be discharged into Deptford Creek, whilst the sewage and a limited quantity of rain will flow by four iron pipes, each 3 feet 6 inches in diameter, laid under its bed into the Outfall Sewer.

The two lines unite in the New Cross-road, near to the New Cross Station on the Brighton Railway, and they are constructed side by side along that road to Deptford; but at the New Cross Station, the Branch Line is 10 feet above the Main Line, and falling at a more rapid inclination, arrives at the same level as the Main Line at Deptford-broadway. The Branch is 4½ miles in length, of which 1,000 feet were executed in tunnel, at depths varying from 30 to 50 feet. Its size varies from 7 feet in diameter to a form 10 feet 6 inches by 10 feet 6 inches, with a circular crown and segmental sides and invert, and its fall from 30 feet per mile at the upper end, to 2⅓rd feet per mile at the lower end. The soil through which it passes is mostly a mixture of sand and clay, containing cockle and other shells to a large extent. The old Effra Sewer, which fell into the river near Vauxhall-bridge, has been diverted through this sewer to a new outlet at Deptford, and the old line filled in and abandoned.

The Main Line is about 5 miles in length, and varies in size from 4 feet 6 inches by 3 feet at the upper end to 10 feet 6 inches by 10 feet 6 inches, of the same form as the branch by the side of which it is constructed. The double line of sewer occupies the whole width of Church-street, Deptford, and the inverts being below the foundations of the houses on each side of the street, the walls of the houses were underpinned, and the spaces between them and the sewers filled in with concrete. The subsoil here consisted of loamy sand and gravel, with large quantities of water, and, to add to the difficulty of the work, the old Ravensbourne Sewer, which passed through the centre of the street, had to be taken up, and its waters diverted during the progress of these operations.

The outlets of the two sewers, 10 feet 6 inches by 10 feet 6 inches, are each fitted with two hinged flaps, one above the other, the lower one being usually fixed close, so as to form a dam to drive the waters through the iron pipes into the Outfall Sewer, but the upper one hanging free, to serve as a tide flap, which allows of the exit of the sewage into the Creek, when it rises in the sewer to a sufficient altitude. In cases of heavy floods, however, the lower flap can be opened, to admit of a free and full discharge from the sewers into the Creek. The entrances to the iron pipes are in troughs, or sumps, in the large sewers, a short distance within or behind the outlet flaps, and are fitted with penstocks, to shut off the sewage from the Outfall Sewer in case of need.

The falls of the Main Line are, at the upper end 53, 26, and 9 feet per mile to the Effra Sewer at the Brixton-road, and thence to the outlet 2⅓rd feet per mile. The sewer is executed in brickwork, varying in thickness from 9 inches to 22½ inches, one-half, forming the invert, being in Portland cement, and the remainder in blue lias mortar.

The whole of this line has been completed by the Contractors, Messrs. Lee and Bowles, and in successful operation since January, 1863. Its total cost is £215,299 1s. 5d.

Two subsidiary branches have been extended from this sewer at Dulwich—the one to Crown-hill, Norwood, and the other to the Crystal Palace, their total length being about 3 miles. These works were executed by Mr. T. Pearson, at a cost of £19,374 9s. 2d.

The Low Level Sewer does not follow the course of the River, as on the North side, but commencing at Putney, it takes a more direct line through low ground, once forming the bed of a second channel of the Thames, and drains Putney, Battersea, Nine Elms, Lambeth, Newington, Southwark, Bermondsey, Rotherhithe, and Deptford, comprising an area of 20 square miles. The surface of this area is mostly below the level of high water, and is, in many places, 5 or 6 feet below it, having at one time been completely covered by the Thames. The sewers throughout the district have but little fall, and, except at the period of low water, were tide-locked and stagnant; consequently, after long-continued rain, they became overcharged, and were unable to empty themselves during the short period of low water. The waters, therefore, were constantly accumulating, and many days frequently elapsed, after the cessation of the rain, before the sewers could be entirely relieved, the sewage in the interim being forced into the basements and cellars of the houses, to the destruction of much valuable property. The want of flow also caused large accumulations of deposit in the sewers, the removal of which was difficult and costly. These defects, added to the malaria arising from the stagnant sewage, contributed to render the district unhealthy; and it was with reference to the condition of this district that the late Mr. R. Stephenson and Sir W. Cubitt so forcibly described the effect of artificial drainage by pumping, as equivalent to raising the surface a height of 20 feet.

The Low Level Sewer has, in fact, rendered this district as dry and as healthy as any portion of the Metropolis. Its length is about 9½ miles. Its size varies from 4 feet in diameter at the upper end to 7 feet 3 inches at the lower end, and its fall ranges from 4 to 2 feet per mile. The lift at the outlet of the sewer is 18 feet. This sewer was constructed through a stratum of sand and gravel overlying the clay, such as is frequently found in the beds of rivers, and copiously charged with water. Some very successful instances of tunnelling under canals, railways, and house property, occurred in the construction of this work; and a mode of pumping in a quicksand, and rendering it dry and firm without drawing off the sand, was successfully adopted.

Much difficulty was experienced in executing a portion of this work close to and below the foundations of the arches of the Greenwich Railway, and under Deptford Creek, owing to the immense volume of water there met with. This was, however, at last surmounted, by sinking two iron cylinders, each 10 feet in diameter, through the sand, to a depth of about 45 feet, the water being kept down by pumping, at the rate of from 5,000 to 7,000 gallons per minute. The sewer was carried under Deptford Creek, and the navigation kept open, by constructing a coffer-dam into the middle of the Creek, and executing one-half of the work at a time. All these works were completed by the Contractor, Mr. W. Webster, with but few and unimportant casualties; and the cost of the sewer, up to the 25th of March last, is, as near as can be ascertained, till the accounts are rendered, £209,000.

The sewers of this district had been constructed, generally, with a fall from West to East, and had been connected with each other in such a manner that, in case of one becoming first overcharged, it might be relieved by its neighbour, and the sewage be reduced to a uniform level all over the district. Taking advantage of this circumstance, an important branch was constructed from the Low Level Sewer at High-street, Deptford, towards the river, to St. James's Church, Bermondsey. This branch, by intersecting the Earl, the Duffield, and the Battle Bridge Main Sewers, relieves a large and important district. Its length is about 2¾ miles, its size varies from a single sewer 5 feet in diameter, to a double line 7 feet by 7 feet, and its fall is 4½ feet per mile. Its depth varies from 15 to 40 feet below the surface, and it has been in successful operation since January, 1864. The contract for this work was carried out by Messrs. Aird and Son, and its total cost, pending the final settlement of the account, is £97,515.

The Deptford Pumping Station is situated by the side of Deptford Creek, and close to the Greenwich Railway Station. The sewage is here lifted from the Low Level Sewer, a height of 18 feet, into the Outfall Sewer. An iron wharf-wall and barge-bed, 500 feet long, has been constructed at the side of the creek, and is provided with a crane and tramways, for landing coal or other materials. Four expansive, condensing, rotative beam engines, each of 125 horse-power, and capable together of lifting 10,000 cubic feet of sewage per minute a height of 18 feet, are here constructed. These engines are worked by ten Cornish single-flued boilers, each 30 feet long and 6 feet in diameter. The cylinders are 48 inches diameter, with a length of stroke of 9 feet, and the pumps, two of which are worked by one engine direct from the beam, are single-acting plunger pumps, the diameter of the plungers being seven feet, and the length of the stroke 4½ feet. One pump is placed on the beam,

midway between the steam cylinder and the centre pillars, and the other midway between the centre pillars and the fly-wheel. The air, feed, and cold water pumps are actuated by a separate beam, attached to the cylinder-end of the main beam. The pump-valves are leather-faced hanging-valves, and the sewage is discharged through them into a wrought iron culvert, placed on the level of the Outfall Sewer, with which it is connected by a brick culvert, which receives also the sewage from the High Level Sewer, previously brought by gravitation under the creek, through four cast-iron pipes, 3 feet 6 inches in diameter. Both streams enter the Outfall Sewer, and are together conveyed to Crossness, where they are again lifted. The chimney shaft at this station is 7½ feet in diameter at the base and 6 feet at the top; its height is 150 feet, and the furnaces draw from the sewers and the engine-well to assist in the ventilation of the works. The accommodation for coals is ample, the sheds covering an area of 18,000 superficial feet.

Provision is made, by gratings, for the interception of the larger substances brought down by the sewers, in the same manner as at Crossness. This station is completed, and the engines, constructed and erected by Messrs. Slaughter and Company, of Bristol, at a cost of about £28,000, have been in operation since May, 1864. The erection of the building was contracted for by Messrs. Aird and Son, and its total cost is £109,455 17s. 5d.

The Southern Outfall Sewer conveys the sewage which flows into it from the High Level Sewer by gravitation through the four iron culverts laid under Deptford Creek, and that which is pumped into it from the Low Level Sewer, from Deptford through Greenwich and Woolwich to Crossness Point in the Erith Marshes. It is not, like the Outfall Sewer on the North side, constructed above the level of the ground, but it is entirely underground for its whole length of 7¾ miles. It is 11 feet 6 inches in diameter, formed in brickwork generally 18 inches thick, and has a fall of 2 feet per mile. The bottom of the sewer is 9 feet below the level of low water at its outlet into the river, so that it can discharge into the river at and near to low water, by gravitation, in case of necessity; but ordinarily the mode of discharge will be by pumping into the Crossness Reservoir. It has been constructed at a depth of about 16 feet below the surface, except through Woolwich, where the depth ranges from 45 to 75 feet. The soil in which it is built is mostly gravel and sand, but the Woolwich tunnel, which is the principal feature of the work, was partly in the chalk. One mile of this tunnel was executed under the town of Woolwich, without any casualties or settlements.

This sewer was completed by the Contractor, Mr. W. Webster, in June, 1862, and has been in successful operation since that period. Its total cost, exclusive of the land purchased by the Board, is £310,648 2s. 6d.

The level of the Outfall Sewer being necessarily too high for the effectual drainage of the Eastern portion of Greenwich, it became requisite to construct a branch line of intercepting sewer, running parallel with the Outfall Sewer, and between it and the Thames; but with a fall in the reverse direction, so as to connect it with the Deptford Pumping Station. The total length of this branch is about 2 miles, and it is now nearly completed by Mr. W. Dethick, the Contractor, who, up to the 25th of March last, had executed work to the value of £14,300; or £19,957 to the present date, of which the sum of £1,357 is due to the progress made in the past month.

The Crossness Reservoir and Pumping Station.—The sewage on the South side of the Thames is discharged into the river at the time of high water only, but the sewer is at such a level that it can discharge its full volume by gravitation about the time of low water. Its outlet is ordinarily closed by a penstock placed across its mouth, and its contents are raised by pumping into the reservoir, which is built at the same level as that on the North side; and, like it, stores the sewage, except for the two hours of discharge after high water. The sewage is thus diverted from its direct course to the river, into a side channel leading to the pump-well, which forms part of the foundation for the engine-house; from this well it is lifted by four beam engines, each of 125 horse-power, and actuating, direct from the beam, two compound pumps, each having four plungers. The engines are condensing, rotative beam engines, the cylinders being 4 feet in diameter, with a length of stroke of 9 feet; they are situate at the end of the main beam, which is 40 feet in length, the fly-wheel connecting rod being attached to the further extremity, and the pump rods situate on either side of the beam centre. The air, feed, and cold-water pumps are actuated by a separate or counter beam, fixed at one end to a rocking lever, and attached at the other to the main beam. The cylinders are supplied from twelve Cornish boilers, each 6 feet in diameter and 30 feet long,

having an internal furnace and flue, 3 feet in diameter, and being set so as to have the second heat carried with a split draught along the sides, and the third heat under the bottom of the boiler into the main flue leading to the chimney.

The maximum quantity of sewage to be lifted by these engines will ordinarily be about 10,000 cubic feet per minute; but during the night that quantity will be considerably reduced, while on the other hand it will be nearly doubled on occasions of heavy rainfall. The lift also will vary from 10 to 30 feet, according to the level of water in the sewer and in the reservoir into which it is lifted. These variable conditions of working led to some difficulty in the arrangement of the engines and pumps, which it has been endeavoured to meet by the arrangement of pump-plungers before alluded to. The pumps, which are single acting, are placed equi-distantly on each side of the beam centre, the pump cases being each 12 feet in diameter, fitted with four plungers, 4 feet 6 inches in diameter. These plungers are placed in pairs, each pair being worked from a cross head on the main-beam, which is in two flitches with this object, and arrangements are made for throwing either pair of plungers out of gear. By these means the capacity of the pumps may be varied in the proportion of 1, 2, or 3, as the inner pair, outer pair, or both pairs are thrown into gear. The sewage is discharged into a wrought-iron trough, through hanging leather-faced valves, which are suspended from wrought-iron shackles, and fitted with the wrought iron back and front plates. Each valve is 12 inches by 18 inches. It should be mentioned, that substances which might prevent the proper action of the valves are intercepted before reaching the pumps, by a wrought-iron grating placed in front of the openings to the pump well, the substances so intercepted being lifted from the face of the grating by an endless chain, with buckets or scrapers and combs attached, working vertically in front of, and in close contact with, the grating, the teeth of the comb passing between the bars. On the descent of the chain, the buckets are overturned and discharge their contents into a trough, from which they will be removed by manual labour.

The sewage, after being delivered from the pumps into the wrought-iron trough, is discharged through brick culverts into the reservoir, or, in case of need, provision is made for its discharge through other culverts directly into the river. After being stored in the reservoir until the time of high water, the sewage is discharged by a lower set of culverts into the river. There are two tiers of eight openings in each compartment of the reservoir, the upper eight for the admission of the sewage from the pumps to the reservoir, and the lower eight for its discharge into the river, the apertures in all cases being opened and closed by penstocks.

The reservoir, which is 6½ acres in extent, is covered by brick arches supported on brick piers, and is furnished with weirs for overflows and with a flushing culvert. Its height, level, and general construction are similar to that at Barking-creek, already described. Over the reservoir are built twenty-one cottages, for the engineers and other persons employed upon the works.

The ground upon which the whole of these works were constructed consists of peat, sand, or soft silty clay, and affords no sufficient foundation within 25 feet of the surface. To obviate this difficulty, and to reduce the expense of the foundations as much as possible, the culverts on the various levels were built, as far as practicable, in the same trenches, one above the other; the lowest leading from the Outfall Sewer to the pump-wells, support those discharging the sewage from the reservoir, which latter in turn support those leading from the pumps into the reservoir. The requirements of the pump-wells necessitated that the walls of the engine-house should be carried down to the level of the gravel, independently of the nature of the ground; but such was not the case with the boiler-house. The boilers and stoke-hole floor are supported on arches, which spring from walls brought up from the gravel, and the space below the boiler-house floor is made available as a reservoir for condensing water. The water from the hot and cold wells of the engines is conveyed hither, and one compartment is set apart as a chamber for cooling the water from the hot well, previous to its being used again for condensing water. With the same object of saving separate foundations, coal stores and workshops have been erected partly on the external walls of the reservoir, and partly on the culverts in front of them, large coal-stores being also provided in front of the boiler-house, and on a level with the stoke-holes, into which the coals will be brought on tramways. A tramway is also provided for the upper level coal-sheds, on the level of the tops of the boilers, from whence the coals will be shot into the stoke-holes below. Tramways are also laid from the coal-sheds to the river, and jetties

are carried out into the river, to facilitate the landing of coals, and their transfer to the stores. A wharf-wall has been constructed along the river frontage of the works, for a distance of about 1,200 feet, by which a large portion of the "saltings" has been reclaimed. The wall is of brick, carried upon brick arches, which rest upon piers formed of iron caissons filled with concrete, and which are carried down to the gravel.

The chimney into which the flues from the boilers are conveyed is square on plan externally, being 8 feet 3 inches internal diameter throughout, and 200 feet in height; it is founded upon a wide bed of concrete, brought up from the gravel, which is here 26 feet below the surface.

The reservoir, as well as the several culverts and the pump-wells, are all connected by flues with the furnaces of the boilers, for the purposes of ventilation, in a manner similar to that adopted at the Deptford and other pumping stations.

The outlet into the river from the Outfall Sewer, which was constructed in connection with these works, consists of twelve iron pipes, each 4 feet 4 inches in diameter, carried under the "saltings" into a paved channel formed in the bed of the river. These pipes are gathered into the single sewer, by culverts in brickwork on the land side of the wharf wall, the numbers of the culverts being gradually reduced, and their dimensions increased, as they approach the junction with the large Outfall Sewer. The whole of these works have recently been completed.

The building was erected under contract, by Mr. W. Webster, and its total cost, pending the adjustment of the account, is £295,000. Messrs. Watt and Company, of Birmingham, were the Contractors for the manufacture and erection of the engines and machinery in use at this station. The contract sum was £44,900; and up to the 25th of March last, £33,450 had been advanced to the firm on account thereof.

Cost of Works.

The total cost of the whole of the foregoing Contracts, together with those in connection with the Northern Low Level, and already referred to as being dependent on the Thames Embankment, will be, when completed, about £4,100,000; and the total length of the Main Drainage Sewers executed under those Contracts, will be about 82 miles. The sewage which these lines are designed to intercept on the North side of the Thames at present amounts to 10 million cubic feet per day, and on the South side to 4 million cubic feet per day; but provision is made for an anticipated increase up to 11½ million on the North side, and 5¾ million on the South side, in addition to 28¼ million cubic feet of rainfall per diem on the North side, and 17¼ million cubic feet per diem on the South side, or a total of 63 million cubic feet per diem, which is equal to a lake of 482 acres, 3 feet deep, or fifteen times as large as the Serpentine in Hyde Park.

Main Sewer Repairs, &c.

The approaching completion of the Main Drainage system rendered it necessary that the Board should consider the general condition of all the Main Lines of Sewers vested in them, with a view to the open ones being covered and deepened, and such of the covered ones as are defective, or shallow, being reconstructed, and all properly adapted to one system. To this end the Board have already selected those of the sewers which are in the worst condition, twenty-three in number, to be first dealt with. Of these, the contract drawings and specifications for the several works requisite to be done to the Ranelagh, Stamford Brook, Falcon Brook, and parts of the Earl and London Bridge Sewers, are completed, and the works will be commenced forthwith. The drawings for dealing with the remaining portion of the Earl, the Heathwall, and Lord Spencer open Sewers are also in course of preparation for contract, and the remainder will be prepared for submission to the Board in due course.

Thames Embankment, North.

Contract No. 1. (Between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges). The works comprise the formation of a granite-faced river-wall, about 3,740 feet in length, with a portion of the Low Level Sewer and Subway in connection therewith; the extension of several of the main outlets to discharge into that sewer; the construction of about 3,200 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick-sewer for the interception of the smaller sewers and drains hitherto discharging on the foreshore, and the formation of new and commodious steam-boat piers and landing places, in lieu of the existing ones interfered with by the Embankment. To the present time the works comprise the completion of about 1,400 feet in length of iron-caisson dams, and 660 feet of timber coffer-dams; the formation of

about 140 feet of the river-wall, near Whitehall, and of the lower parts of the steam-boat pier at Westminster-bridge. About 1,604 feet of the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick sewer have also been completed, and about 263,000 cube yards of material have been supplied for filling-in purposes. The approximate value of the work done, together with the materials and plant upon the ground, is estimated at £157,161, of which the sum of £13,447 is due to the work executed in the past month. Of the total amount the proportionate sum of £54,263 is for works; £30,660 for materials, and £72,238 for plant.

Contract No. 2. (Between Waterloo-bridge and Eastern end of Inner Temple Garden). The works comprise the formation of about 1,970 feet of granite-faced river wall, with a portion of the Low Level Sewer and Subway in connection therewith, and in continuation of those respective works, described in Contract No. 1. The extension of the Main Essex-street, and Norfolk-street Sewer Outlets to discharge into the Low Level; the construction of about 2,440 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick sewer for the interception of the smaller sewers and drains discharging on the fore-shore, and the formation of a new steam-boat pier and landing stairs, in lieu of the existing Temple pier, interfered with by the Embankment. About three-fourths of the coffer-dam in front of Somerset House have been completed, and about one-half of its length has been puddled with clay, and made water-tight for the purpose of commencing the excavations within it for the foundations of the permanent work. In the dam fronting the Temple pier and gardens, portions of the river-wall, sewer, and subway are in progress, about 3,200 cube feet of granite having been bedded, and 70 rods of brickwork laid, and for the foundations of which about 10,500 cube yards of ground have been excavated, and 4,500 yards of Portland cement concrete filled in. The small intercepting sewer is also complete. Upon this contract, to the present date, about 350,000 cube feet of timber, and 315 tons of iron have been used, and about 200,000 cube yards of material supplied for filling-in purposes. The approximate value of the work executed, together with the materials and plant upon the ground, is £119,868, or £9,920 for the work executed in the past month. Of the total amount, the sum of £67,064 is for work; £18,044 for materials; and £34,760 for plant.

Thames Embankment, South.

Contract No. 1. (Between Westminster-bridge and Gun House-alley, Vauxhall).—The drawings and specification for the intended Embankment and roadway between these two points are completed, and the Board propose to receive Tenders for the execution of the work on the 14th July, instant. The works comprise the formation of a granite-faced river-wall, about 4,300 feet in length; a landing-stairs at Westminster-bridge; a paved road and footways; with subways, or sunk road approaches, to the dock and other property severed by the works, and a short length of sewer for the drainage of a part of the roadway in question.

Total Amount of Work Done.

Tables Nos. 1 and 2, appended to this Report, give in detail all the Engineering works executed by the Board in the past year, and the condition of the several contracts entered into, completed, or in course of completion by them at the end of that year. The total sum expended on those works includes the cost of cleansing, maintaining, and, where requisite, repairing the several lines of Main Sewers, with their various flaps, penstocks, outlets, and other appurtenances.

Local Drainage.

Under the sections of the Acts which provide for submitting to the Board, for their consideration, the Plans of the various local sewers intended to be constructed by, or under the direction of the several Vestries and District Boards, twenty-eight of those bodies have, during the past year, so submitted Plans for the construction of about 47½ miles of sewers, of sizes varying from 4 feet to 6 inches in diameter. All these Plans received careful examination, and, where needed, revision, with a view to their falling in with an uniform system of drainage. Table No. 3, appended to this Report, gives in detail the various lengths and sizes of those sewers. During the year, 451 branch sewers and drains have been connected with the Board's Main lines, and all those connections have been duly superintended by their Officers.

Parliamentary Bills.

The Bills submitted to Parliament for works affecting the Metropolis were not so numerous this

Session as in the last, nor were the projects contemplated so extensive or costly in their character. Nevertheless, about 50 Plans and Bills for various railways, buildings, and other improvements, needed careful examination at the hands of the Board, who, by Counsel, appeared before the several Parliamentary Committees with a view to securing the insertion of such clauses as were requisite for the protection of the public interests.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th July, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 16th June last, (No. 5), on the letter from the Limehouse District Board, calling attention to the offensive state of the South end of Limehouse Cut, and requesting that some remedy might be adopted by this Board to abate the evil; stating that the Engineer of the River Lee Trust proposed, on the 8th instant, to run off the whole of the water from the Lee Cut, and to let in a fresh supply; and that he intended to repeat this operation on the two following days; that in the interim, he (the Engineer of the Trust) had been applying large quantities of lime and other disinfectants to the stagnant waters at the south end of the Cut, the effect of which would, for a time, remedy the complaint.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be received.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th July, 1865, submitting Contract-drawings and Specification for the Improvement and Diversion of the Woolwich Main Sewers into the Southern Outfall Sewer, as requested in the Memorial from the Woolwich Local Board of Health, presented to the Board on the 30th June last, (No. 4), and recommending that Tenders be invited for the execution of the works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that Advertisements be forthwith issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works, such Tenders to be opened at the Meeting of the Board on the 21st July inst.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th July, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 4), on the letter from the Poplar District Board, requesting this Board to direct their Contractor to re-instate and keep in order certain roads, not taken to by that Board, and through which the traffic had been diverted for the purposes of the Northern Low Level Sewer Works, stating that since the receipt of that letter, Mr. Webster, the Contractor, had made the necessary arrangements to execute such works as might be requisite to remedy the complaint.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the Report be received.

15. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
7th July, 1865.

On letter from Sir C. Fox and Son, dated 30th June, 1865, submitting for approval designs for three bridges, to carry roads over the Chatham and Dover Railway, in the neighbourhood of Pimlico.

These bridges are intended to be built in connection with the improved communications with Victoria Station, under the powers of Act, 26 and 27 Vic., cap. 204, to carry St. George's-row, St. George's-road, and Belgrave-road, over the railway. The bridges are designed to carry the roads of their full width, in the two first cases, and, in the third, the intended bridge appears to be the extension or widening of an existing bridge. The height of the parapets is not in all cases clearly

defined, but they should be required to be not less than 6′ 6″ above the level of the footway, and towards the road should have a plinth of masonry, and a weathered and moulded capping of the same, the facing bricks being of good quality, and of good and uniform tint. Where not terminated against a building, the parapet should be returned along the railway at each end, and at each side of the bridge, of the same height for a distance in each case of 50 feet. As the security of the public roadways is dependent upon the strength and efficiency of these bridges, and as no sufficient details have been supplied to enable the Board to form a judgment upon this question, I recommend that the consent of the Board to these bridges be refused, *pro forma*, until such details have been furnished and approved by the Board, and that Sir C. Fox and Son be informed to this effect, and also as to the requirements above specified.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to Sir C. Fox and Son, accordingly.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th July, 1865, on a letter from Mr. A. Moseley, on behalf of Mr. C. Dagnall, claiming £544, as compensation for taking and using his leasehold premises, Bridge-field-villa, Wandsworth, for the purposes of the Southern Low Level Sewer works, stating that the claim was one for which Mr. Webster was liable, under the terms of his Contract with the Board, and that a copy of it had therefore been duly forwarded to him for attention, and recommending that Mr. Moseley be so informed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be sent to Mr. Moseley accordingly.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th July, 1865, recommending the repairing and underpinning of the side walls, crown, and invert of the sewer in Red Lion-street, Clerkenwell, for a length of 300 feet, under the General Contract, at an estimated cost of £285.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed under the Contract for general works, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

18. Mr. Brushfield asked the Engineer whether there was any foundation for a report which he had heard, to the effect that the engines at Deptford Pumping Station had been stopped by an overflow of water, caused by the heavy fall of rain on Friday last?

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings the Engineer stated, in reply to Mr. Brushfield's question, that there was no foundation for the report in question.

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the Engineer do furnish a written Report on the subject, at the next Meeting of the Board.

19. Resolved—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	Benjamin Lucas Judkins, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
George Hudson, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Jeremiah Long, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens,
4th July, 1865.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 7th day of July, 1865, at half-past Twelve o'clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

1. To consider as to rescinding the Resolution of the Board of the 10th March, 1865, (No. 66), granting the application of Mr. G. Anderson, for the approval of the name "Brookfield-road," for a new street abutting on Lordship-road, Stoke Newington, the Plan for the formation of which was approved on 9th October, 1863, and as to ordering that, in lieu thereof, such street be named "Brook-road."
2. To receive Report from Main Drainage Committee—
   Recommending—
   That so much of the Resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), as directs the execution of certain works, viz., the covering over, deepening, and otherwise improving the several Main Sewers of the Metropolis, therein mentioned, the cost of which is estimated approximately at £390,000, within a period of four years, be rescinded; and that, in lieu thereof, it be ordered that the works be forthwith, proceeded with as rapidly as the Engineer can prepare the necessary Specifications and Plans, and that it be referred to the Finance Committee, to negotiate for a Loan for defraying the cost of such works.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th July, 1865, stating that, on the 10th March last, the Board had approved of the name "Brookfield-road," for a new street leading out of Lordship-road, Stoke Newington; that it was subsequently discovered that an existing new street, near Victoria-park, was called by that name, and

therefore recommending that the Order of the Board of the 10th March last, (No. 66), be rescinded, and that in lieu thereof the street in question be named "Brook-road," that being one of the names submitted by the applicant.

Resolved *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Order of the Board of the 10th March last, (No. 66), granting the application of Mr. G. Anderson, for the approval by the Board of the name "Brookfield-road" for a new street, abutting on Lordship-road, Stoke Newington, be rescinded.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the street in question be named "Brook-road."

3. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
27th June, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the following Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 9th June, 1865, No. 5).—"That it be referred to the "Main Drainage Committee, to consider the propriety of at once taking steps to cover "over, and amend the whole of the Sewers mentioned in Schedule D, and of rescinding "the Resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), limiting the outlay for such "purpose to £100,000 per annum." On the 1st January, 1864, (No. 12), the Engineer presented to your Honorable Board a report on the works required for covering, repairing, and otherwise improving the several Main Sewers of the Metropolis, enumerated in Schedule D to the Metropolis Local Management Act of 1855, the total cost of which he estimated at £800,000, and on the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), a list of the most urgent of these works, at a cost of £390,000, was presented, with respect to which your Honorable Board resolved that they should be executed within four years, the expense to be defrayed by means of money to be borrowed for the purpose. Your Committee have given careful attention to this subject, and in the course of inquiry have ascertained that many of the sewers included in the last mentioned list, are in a state that calls for immediate attention, and that it will not be advisable to extend the execution of the works over so long a period as four years.

Your Committee therefore recommend—

That, so much of the Resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), as directs the execution of certain works, viz.—the covering over, deepening, and otherwise improving the several Main Sewers of the Metropolis, therein mentioned, the cost of which is estimated approximately at £390,000 within a period of four years, be rescinded, and that, in lieu thereof, it be ordered that the works be forthwith proceeded with, as rapidly as the Engineer can prepare the necessary Specifications and Plans, and that it be referred to the Finance Committee to negotiate for a Loan for defraying the cost of such works.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBERT FREEMAN.
B. EVANS.
CYRUS LEGG.

Th Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved *unanimously*—That so much of the Resolution of the Board of the 27th May, 1864, (No. 10), as directs the execution of certain works, namely, the covering over, deepening, and otherwise improving the several Main Sewers of the Metropolis, therein mentioned, the cost of which is estimated approximately at £390,000, within a period of four years, be rescinded.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the works referred to in the foregoing Resolution be forthwith proceeded with, as rapidly as the Engineer can prepare the necessary Specifications and Plans, and that it be referred to the Finance Committee, to negotiate for a Loan for defraying the cost of such works.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **7th** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

George Hudson, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Benjamin Lucas Judkins, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.

1. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th June, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Ware and Joule, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the Southern side of the New-road, Shepherd's-bush, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

2. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th June, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. M. Symons, for the consent of the Board, to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of No. 4, South Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop do not exceed the height of one story above the ground level; that it be kept to the frontage of the three houses adjoining, and parallel to the railings next the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

3. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Ashford, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of his house, in High-street, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground outside the proposed shop be added to the public way, and paved; that the end next Hale's-street be splayed off, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

4. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Decimus Gylby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building with a one-storied addition, at the corner of John-street and Newnham-street, St. Marylebone, as shown by alternative Plans accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

5. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Hughes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of two houses on the Western side of Haverstock-road, St. Pancras, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

6. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. B. Hayes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Parochial School in Park-grove, Battersea-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Dagnall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building on the Southern side of Farm-lane, Walham-green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

8. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Ashton, for the approval by the Board of the construction of eaves to a row

of houses in Lordship-road, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted, on condition that the party-walls be corbelled out, to stop the continuity of the woodwork, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

9. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Francis Edwards, on behalf of Mr. Daniel Cronin, for the approval by the Board of the construction of barge boards to buildings at the rear of seven pairs of villas in Camden-avenue, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted.

10. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. S. D. Walker, for the approval by the Board of the construction of eaves to a house on Woodbury-down, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted.

11. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Maudslay, Sons, and Field, for the approval by the Board of two furnace chimney-shafts, to be constructed of wrought iron, at their ship building works, at East Greenwich.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted.

12. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Battley and Butler, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their Imperial Tar Works, Bow-common.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

13. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Stanley, on behalf of Mr. David Hart, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the alteration and re-construction of a furnace chimney shaft at the Whitechapel Iron Works.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the shaft, from the lower part of the gathering-in of the width, do not exceed 50 feet, and that the sub-structure be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, sound, and sufficient for the proposed raising.

14. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Broadbridge, on behalf of the Trustees of the Charecroft Estate, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of new roads and a mews, and for a line of building frontage, on the Estate at Shepherd's Bush.

It was **moved** by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the new streets, be granted, on condition that the fence wall, now jutting out at the Eastern-end of the property in the Uxbridge-road, be taken down for a length of eleven feet, and the ground outside

the proposed frontage added to the public way, but that so much of the application as relates to the formation of the narrow way, or mews, at the Eastern boundary of the Estate, be not acceded to.

15. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. H. Moore, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews, to lead out of Elms-lane, Bayswater, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of 2nd June last, (No. 76).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

16. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Roberts, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street, to lead out of Falcon-lane, Battersea, and for the widening of a portion of that lane.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that a width of 10 feet of ground in front of the new building plots, next Falcon-lane, be added to the public way.

17. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Holmes and Impey, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street, on the site of houses known as Duddie's-rents, and at the rear of buildings on the Southern side of Cross-street, Islington.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

18. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Richard Mears, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street on the South side of High-street, Homerton, and for a line of frontage for five houses and shops to face High-street, at the entrance to the new street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted, on condition that the new shops be kept back 16 feet at the Western end, and 10 feet at the Eastern end, from the old boundary wall, and that the intervening ground be added to the public way.

19. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. C. Dryden, on behalf of the Boys' National School, at Putney, requesting that the Resolution of the Board of the 7th April last, (No, 39), approving of the erection of an addition to the school, on condition that the lane on the North side thereof were widened throughout the length of the premises, by setting off 20 feet from the centre of the lane, Southward, might be modified; and proposing to give up a width of 6 feet 8 inches along the extent of their frontage (150 feet), thus widening the roadway to 20 feet 5 inches, and further requesting to be allowed compensation for the ground so given up.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Carpmael—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

20. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th July, 1865, certifying that the improvement undertaken by the St. Giles's District Board of Works, in widening the carriage-way of High-street, St. Giles's, had been satisfactorily carried out, and stating

that the District Board were now entitled to the sum of £200, agreed to be paid by this Board towards the cost of the improvement, on 6th May, 1864, (No. 6).

Resolved—That a Cheque for the said amount be drawn on the General Account of the Board.

21. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Symons, for the re-numbering of the houses in the South Lambeth-road and Vauxhall-cross, and for re-naming a portion of the first-named road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the applicant be informed that, until the railway and other operations in the neighbourhood be in a more finished state, so as to be clearly defined, the adjustment of the numbering of the houses cannot be satisfactorily effected.

22. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Hansler, requesting that one name might be applied to Upper Kennington-lane, or New Bridge-street, Vauxhall.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee for consideration, in connection with the former reference of the application from the Vestry of Lambeth, on the same subject.

23. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th July, 1865, on the application of the Board of Works for the Hackney District, requesting that one name might be applied to the whole line of thoroughfare, at present known as Greenwood-road and Willmott-road, Dalston, and that the houses therein might be re-numbered.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

24. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. S. S. Jennins, and others, for the approval by the Board of the name "Fassett-road," for a new street leading from Fassett-square to Willmot-road, Dalston.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th July, 1865, on the letter of Mr. Alfred Carr, Returning Officer of the Borough of Finsbury, relative to the erection of Hustings and Polling Booths, for the approaching Elections; stating that, as a precautionary step, he had sent a circular to all the District Surveyors, calling their attention to such erections, and to the necessity of some supervision over the same, in order that they might be duly secured against accident.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the course taken by the Superintending Architect be approved, and that Mr. Carr be informed of the directions which have been given.

26. The attention of the Board having been called to the circumstance of a Fire having occurred at the Warehouses of Mr. Moses and Mr. Myers, in Southwark-street, on the night of the 4th instant,

Resolved—That the Superintending Architect do report thereon, at the next Meeting of the Board.

27. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 23rd instant, (No. 11), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following localities, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

High-street, Peckham.
Hill-street, ditto.
South-street, St. Mary, Newington.
Trafalgar-place, ditto.
Peel-street, Kensington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

28. The Clerk laid before the Board a Warrant to distrain upon the goods and chattels of Mr. Frederick W. Moss, for the sum of £75, three quarters' rent due to the Board, in respect of the premises, No. 18, St. Andrew's-hill.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Warrant of Distress; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 7th July, 1865, stating the result of the inquiries made in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 3), as to the Sureties proposed by Mr. Edward Thirst, for the due execution of the Contract for covering over, deepening, and re-constructing the Ranelagh Sewer, between the Uxbridge and Edgware-roads, &c.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 7th July, 1865, stating the result of the inquiries, made in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 2), as to the Sureties proposed by Mr. William Dethick, for the due execution of the works for the diversion of a portion of the Main London Bridge Sewer, in the City-road.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

31. The Solicitor reported that the Fire Brigade Bill had received the Royal Assent.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to consider and report as to the course to be pursued, with reference to putting in force the powers of the Act.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of the Union Chargeability Act, as passed.

33. The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of the Sewage Utilization Act, as passed.

34. The Solicitor reported that the clauses required by the Board were inserted in the Regent's Canal Bill, and that the Bill had received the Royal Assent.

35. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. W. and H. P. Sharp, dated 27th June, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to their clients, Messrs. Bird, building over the portion of the Northern High Level and Middle Level Sewers, carried through their land, at Old Ford.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary licence accordingly.

36. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contract between Messrs. Cory and Son, and the Board, for the supply of Coals and Coke to the Pumping Stations, the Offices of the Board,

and the Meter Testing-houses; and also a Bond in the sum of £500 for the due performance of such Contract.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department, Spring Gardens,
7th July, 1865.

PHŒNIX GAS.

A Case was tried last week against a Contractor for improperly laying sewer pipes and works. The Jury found for the Defendant. From the summing-up of the learned Judge, I rather think some useful rules were hinted at. These might guide the Board, and they will probably think it well that I get a copy of the Short-hand Writer's notes of the summing-up of the learned Judge.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do obtain a Transcript of the Short-hand Writer's notes of the summing-up of the Judge in the case referred to; and that the same be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

38. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Charles Rogers, dated 3rd July, 1865, acknowledging the receipt of the communication addressed to him, pursuant to the resolution of the 23rd June last, (No. 11), in reference to the erection of buildings in front of houses in Brixton-place, Lambeth, and expressing his surprise and regret that the Board had sanctioned such erections.

39. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Thomas Phythian, dated 6th July, 1865, complaining of nuisance in York-buildings, Adelphi, by the carting of filling-in material, from different parts of the Metropolis, to the works of the Thames Embankment.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for a Report.

40. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Chapron, calling the attention of the Board to his Vitrified Porcelain Tablets, for Water-plug Indicators.

41. The following **Notice of Motion** was given for the Meeting of the Board, on Friday next—

By Mr. Savage, (No. 248).—As to the adjournment of the Board, from the 4th August, to the 22nd September next.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 14th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock, at noon.

No. 29.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **14th** day of **July,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Major William Lyon.	William Clark, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Taverner John Miller, Esq. M.P.
James Brooker, Esq.		
William Henry Lammin, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 7th July instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the state of the Thames Embankment (North) Account, and stated that, in order to provide for payments to be made, it would be requisite that the sum of £20,000 should be borrowed from one of the other Accounts of the Board.

Resolved—That the sum of £20,000 be transferred, by way of Loan, from the General Account of the Board, to the Thames Embankment (North) Account, the latter Account being charge with the Deposit-rate of interest until the amount shall be repaid; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

3. This being the day appointed by the Board for opening Tenders for the execution of the works for the Southern Embankment of the River Thames, for re-constructing the White Post-lane Branch of the Earl Sewer, and for covering over and improving the open Stamford Brook Sewer, the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

The Estimates of the Engineer for the works in question were handed to the Chairman.

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

For the Thames Embankment, South.

The first Tender opened was from Messrs. Samuel C. Ridley, 20, Great George-street, and E. Maeers, The Limes, Leytonstone, whereupon it was **moved** by Mr. Newton, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—That the Tender of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers be not received.

The **motion** was put to the vote, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—8.		Against the Motion—13.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Carpmael, W., Esq.	Pew, J., Esq.	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.		Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
		Legg, C., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
		Long, J., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Teller—Mr. Newton.		Teller—Mr. Roche.	

and it was lost.

The following were the Tenders which were opened—

Messrs. Samuel C. Ridley, No. 20, Great George-street, and E. Maeers, The Limes, Leytonstone	£279,000
Mr. William Webster, Wyberton Villa, Lee, Kent	309,000
Mr. George Furness, No. 30, Great George-street, Westminster	311,000
Messrs. John Aird and Son, Belvedere-road, Lambeth	327,361
Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge Street, Hackney Road	335,000
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington-cross	340,000
Messrs. Thomas Brassey and Co., No. 4, Great George-street, Westminster	355,000
Mr. Anthony Ward Ritson, No. 21, Arundel-street, Strand	386,000

For Covering Over and Improving the Open Stamford Brook Sewer—

Messrs. James and Samuel Williams, Clifton-street, Notting-hill	£24,600
Mr. Joseph Niblett, No. 10, Addison-terrace, Notting-hill	24,900
Mr. E. Thirst, John-street, Chelsea	25,089
Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street, Hackney-road	26,200
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington-cross	26,300
Mr. William H. Rowe, No. 7, Gloucester-place, Camden-town	35,170

For the Diversion and Covering Over of the White Post Lane Sewer—

Mr. Thomas Wainwright, No. 12, Philpot Lane	£3,210
Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road	3,937
Mr. William H. Rowe, No. 7, Gloucester-place, Camden-town	4,270
Mr. W. Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street	4,550
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington-cross	4,638

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee, for the consideration of the above-mentioned Tenders, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **14th** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

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John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Major William Lyon.
Francis Healey, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Jeremiah Long, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.

1. Mr. Tanner handed in an Extract from the Minutes of proceedings of the Hackney District Board of Works, as follows—

Hackney Board of Works,
Thursday, 13th July, 1865.

At a Meeting of the Board of Works for the Hackney District,
J. J. Tanner, Esq., in the Chair.

Mr. Tanner, as Chairman of the "New Town Hall" Committee, having made a statement—
It was moved, seconded, and resolved—

Re New Town Hall.

"That the New Town Hall Committee have permission to apply to the Metropolitan Board of Works to be allowed to borrow an additional sum of £5,000, and that such application be made accordingly."

(Extracted from the Minutes.)

(Signed) RICHARD ELLIS,
Clerk,
Board of Works for the Hackney District.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the communication be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Architect of this Board be instructed to report thereon to that Committee.

2. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Streets Committee.

Spring Gardens,
5th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1865, (No. 2), they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the New Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House; and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in pursuance of your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Metropolis Improvement Act, 1863 *(New Street to Mansion House)*.

Re St. Bennett, Paul's Wharf, No. 8, Addle-hill—			
Purchase-money (to be paid into Court) - -	£1,550	0	0
Re Tallow Chandlers' Company—			
Rents for premises in Wardrobe-terrace and Addle-hill, (payable to Mr. Edwin Bedford) - - -	26	18	7

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
P. H. LE BRETON.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

3. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Finance Committee.

Spring Gardens,
10th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificates of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 8th July, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 8th July, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	38,438 16 8	50,000 0 0	88,438 16 8	.....	112 7 6	200 0 0	312 7 6
Covent Garden Approach	494 4 4	.....	494 4 4	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	3,155 2 2	.....	3,155 2 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	184 6 7	.....	184 6 7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	649 8 2	.....	649 8 2	.....	5 0 0	.....	5 0 0
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
£	43,004 2 5	50,000 0 0	93,004 2 5	.....	117 7 6	200 0 0	317 7 6
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	50,244 11 2	.....	50,244 11 2	.....	.....	1,588 0 0	1,588 0 0
Main Drainage Advances	.....	100,000 0 0	100,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thames Embankment (North)	7,422 17 6	.....	7,422 17 6	.....	158 15 0	4,266 8 9	4,425 3 9
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	9,309 13 2	.....	.....	.....
£	100,671 11 1	150,000 0 0	250,671 11 1	9,309 13 2	276 2 6	6,054 8 9	6,330 11 3

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received between 24th June and 8th July, 1865—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	General Account.		
Precepts—			
St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell		£1,981 8 6	
St. George the Martyr, Southwark		1,963 1 4	
Strand District		2,328 19 5	
St. Pancras		7,700 14 8	
St. Saviour's District		2,361 5 2	
St. Martin-in-the-Fields		2,149 12 1	
Lewisham District		2,842 16 5	
Whitechapel District		2,669 17 2	
Kensington, St. Mary Abbot's		4,260 15 11	
Poplar District		2,781 4 11	
Paddington		5,911 10 4	
Woolwich		588 6 1	
Fulham District		900 0 0	
Lambeth Palace		11 4 10	
Rotherhithe		1,068 8 0	
Croydon		43 12 8	
			39,562 17 6
Interest on Cash Balances			1,640 8 9
Improvement Rates and Charges for Default			17 19 6
			41,221 5 9
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
Interest on Cash Balances			10 7 0
	Carried forward		£41,231 12 9

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward -		41,231 12 9
Finsbury Park.		
Interest on Cash Balances - - - - - - -		5 0 6
Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
Interest on Cash Balances - - - - - - -		9 18 9
Thames Embankment, North.		
Rents, per J. Gotto - - - - 31 1 0		
Ditto (New Street to Mansion House) - 71 13 8		
	102 14 8	
Plans, &c., sold - - - - - -	35 19 6	
		138 14 2
TOTAL -	-	£ 41,385 6 2

Your Committee have also examined the Certificates for the payments mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified in the statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £15,111 6s. 3d., be paid.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the amount assessed upon the several Vestries and District Boards, for raising the fund for repayment of the Mortgage Debts of this Board, and they find that the amount applicable to the loan of £400,000, borrowed from the Bank of England for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication, is £8,000, and that it is necessary that that amount should be set apart and invested, according to the provisions of the Act, and they recommend—

That the sum of £8,000 of the amount assessed for the year 1865, towards the repayment of the Mortgage Debt of £400,000, be set aside and added to the Sinking Fund, and that such amount be invested in the New 3 per Cent. Annuities.

Your Committee have further to report that their attention has been directed to a Cheque drawn by your Honorable Board on 30th December, 1864, (No. 3), for £1,588, in favour of the London and County Bank, being the balance due on the Contract for the construction of the Northern High Level Sewer, and which was to be paid over to the Bank on their undertaking to indemnify the Board against any claim for compensation, to which the Contractor would be liable. This undertaking has never been given, and consequently, the Cheque still remains in the hands of the Accountant. One of the claims for compensation in connection with the above works, which was then outstanding, viz., that of Mr. John Wainewright, for damage to his land in Tollington-road, Holloway, has since been settled; and a Cheque for £300, in satisfaction of Mr. Wainewright's claim, was drawn on the 3rd March last, (No. 21), and paid over to him. Your Committee now recommend that the Cheque for £1,588, payable to the London and County Bank, be cancelled; that the sum of £300 be deducted from that amount, and that a Cheque for the balance, £1,288, be drawn, and paid over to the Bank, on their giving the undertaking before agreed on.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
EDWD. R. COOK.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(1-6341) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1865 - - -		385 16 0
WEST HAM GAS COMPANY—		
(1-6342) Bill for Gas supplied, and Repairs to Lamps on Bridge over Northern Outfall Sewer at Stratford, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -		5 5 0
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—		
(1-6343) For Property used for Main Drainage - -		5 11 4
COWAN, D.—		
(1-6344) Bill for Fixing Speaking Tubes, Bells, &c., at Office, Spring Gardens, February to March, 1865 -		27 0 0
EXPENSES UNDER METROPOLITAN HOUSELESS POOR ACT, 1864—		
(1-6345) St. Matthew, Bethnal Green - - -	£10 9 10	
(1-6346) Bermondsey - - - -	34 9 3	
(1-6347) St. Luke, Middlesex - - - -	6 17 6	
(1-6348) Mile End Old Town - - - -	24 16 0	
(1-6349) Stepney Union - - - -	51 13 4	
(1-6350) Poplar Union - - - -	22 5 11	
		150 11 10
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(1-6351) Week ending 28th June, 1865 - - -	£89 14 0	
(1-6351) ,, 5th July ,, - - -	86 7 6	
		176 1 6
OFFICERS' SALARIES, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865—		
(1-6352) First Monthly Advance on account - -		660 1 10
BANK OF ENGLAND—		
(1-6353) Half Year's Interest on Loan of £135,000, (less tax), due 30th June, 1865 - - - -		2,973 14 1
ISAACS, L. H., C.E.—		
(1-6354) Professional charges, *re* Fleet accident - -		131 5 0
FINCH, W. N.—		
(1-6355) Taxed Costs, *re* Cox - - - -		61 2 8
LLOYD, J. H.—		
(1-6356) Counsel's Fees *re* Pettiward - - -		7 14 6
MELLISH, G., Q.C.—		
(1-6357) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -		38 4 0
MANN, R., Contractor—		
(1-6358) On account of Final Payment for Contract Works, and Extras for Gas Meter Testing-House, Westminster		500 12 5
MILLS, G., Gas Meter Inspector—		
(1-6359) Petty Disbursements, February to May, 1865 -		4 2 11
PRICE, T. AND J., Collectors—		
(1-6360) Sundry Rates for Gas Meter Testing-House, Westminster		15 7 9
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—		
(1-6361) June, 1865 - - - - -		79 1 8
BRICKHILL AND BATEMAN, Contractors—		
(1-6362) Bill for Printing Business Papers, &c., Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - -	£93 14 3	
(1-6363) Bill for General Printing, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -	388 5 6	
		481 19 9
Carried forward -		£5,703 12 3

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward		5,703 12 3
SMITH, J., AND CO., Contractors—			
(1-6364)	Bill for Stationery, Binding, &c., Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - - - - -		288 12 2
			5,992 4 5
	Covent Garden Approach.		
STRAND DISTRICT BOARD OF WORKS—			
(2-90)	Charges for Lamps in Garrick Street, Covent Garden - - -		8 13 4
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
DOLAMORE AND BULLOCK—			
(3-311)	Bill for Photography, April to June, 1865 - - - -		19 8 0
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
(8-1847)	Further on account of Contract Works, Southern Outfall, Crossness (No. 16) - - -	5,958 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—			
(8-1848)	Further on account of Contract Works, Greenwich and Deptford Sewers (No. 22) - - - £1,143 0 0		
(8-1849)	Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1865 350 12 2		
		1,493 12 2	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1850)	Week ending 28th June, 1865 - £92 17 2		
	,, 5th July, ,, - 95 8 2		
		188 5 4	
			7,639 17 6
	Thames Embankment, North.		
CURTISS, J. A.—			
(9-552)	One Quarter's Rent of Premises, Whitehall Wharf (less tax), due Midsummer, 1865 - - -	95 17 6	
HODGES AND SON—			
(9-553)	Short-hand Notes, *re* Keep and Bell - -	2 2 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-554)	Week ending 28th June, 1865 - £31 0 3		
	,, 5th July, ,, - 30 9 9		
	61 10 0		
	Ditto, Thames Embankment (South)—		
	Week ending 28th June, 1865 - £3 0 0		
	,, 5th July ,, - 1 10 0		
	4 10 0		
		66 0 0	
ROLT, J., Q.C.—			
(9-555)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Temple Pier Company - -	32 14 0	
LLOYD, J. H.—			
(9-556)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Bell - - - -	63 5 0	
DAVEY, THOMPSON, AND ALDER—			
(9-557)	Compensation for Beaufort Wharf - - -	1,150 0 0	
	Carried forward - -	£1,409 18 6	£13,660 3 3

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward -	1,409 18 6	13,660 3 3
ROLT, J., Q.C.—		
(9-558) Counsel's Fees, *re* Jennings, Thames Embankment (South) - - - - - -	41 4 6	
		1,451 3 0
TOTAL - - -		£ 15,111 6 3

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CYRUS LEGG.
EDW. SHEPHERD.
CHAS. HARRIS.
ROBERT TAYLOR.
W. CLARK.
EDWD. R. COOK.
J. S. PHILLIPS.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £15,111 6s. 3d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £8,000, being the amount assessed for the year 1865 towards the repayment of the Mortgage Debt of £400,000, be set aside and added to the Sinking Fund, and that such amount be invested in the New 3 per Cent. Annuities.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Cheque drawn in favour of the London and County Bank, in respect of the Northern High Level Sewer Contract, for £1,588, be now cancelled; that the sum of £300 paid to Mr. Wainewright, on 3rd March last, (No. 21,) be deducted from that amount, and that a Cheque for the balance, viz., £1,288 be drawn, and paid over to the Bank, on their indemnifying the Board against any further claims.

The above Cheque for £1,588 was thereupon cancelled by the Chairman, and a Cheque for £1,288 was drawn on the Main Drainage Account, in favour of the London and County Bank.

4. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
5th July, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in pursuance of the Order of your Honorable Board of the 14th November, 1862, (No. 4), they are proceeding with the acquisition of the several properties required for the Thames Embankment, North, and that they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with the under-mentioned claim, viz.—

Re Bell—

Compensation (Messrs. John and George Bell) - -	£1,500	0	0
Taxed Costs (Messrs. Gregory, Champion and Eady) -	155	11	4

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
J. PEW.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Freeman—That it be received.

5. The Board considered as to drawing a Cheque for the sum of £200, in favor of the St. Giles's District Board of Works, in respect of the improvement carried out by the District Board, in High-street, St. Giles's, notice of which appeared in the paper of business for this day.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a Cheque for the said amount be now drawn; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

6. The Board resumed the consideration of the subject of the payment of the amount remaining due by the Parish of Fulham, on the Ordinary Precept of the Board, for the year 1864.

Mr. Lammin handed in a letter from Mr. Parker, Vestry Clerk, Fulham, dated 14th July, 1865, enclosing a Cheque for £144 18s. 2d., the amount of the balance due on the said Precept.

7. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BOARD.

Spring Gardens,
14th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Tenders, opened this day, for the execution of the Southern Embankment works, and they recommend—

That the several Tenders for the works in question, be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report, and that they be authorised to make such inquiries as they may deem necessary.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the several Tenders for covering over and improving the Open Stamford Brook Sewer, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Messrs. J. and S. Williams, for the execution of the works in question, for the sum of £24,600, be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the Tenders, opened this day, for the re-construction of the White Post-lane Branch of the Earl Sewer, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. Thomas Wainwright, for the execution of the works in question, for the sum of £3,210, be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WILLIAM CARPMAEL.
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the several Tenders for the execution of the works of the Southern Embankment, be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report, and that they be authorized to make such inquiries as they may deem necessary.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Messrs. J. and S. Williams, for covering over and improving the Open Stamford Brook Sewer, for the sum of £24,600, be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

Mr. Williams, being in attendance, was called in, and informed of the foregoing Resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. Thomas Wainwright, for the re-construction of the White Post-lane Branch of the Earl Sewer, for the sum of £3,210, be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

Mr. Wainwright was called in, and informed of the foregoing Resolution.

8. It was moved by Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That the Board, at its rising on Friday, the 4th August next, do stand adjourned to Friday, the 22nd September.

9. The Board considered the course to be pursued with reference to the Contracts for the Printing and Stationery, required by the Board, which expire on 1st October next.

It was moved by Mr. Doulton, M.P., seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to consider and report as to whether the present Contracts should be continued, or whether Advertisements should be issued, inviting Tenders, with a view to new Contracts being entered into.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th July, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
West-end, Cannon-hill, North-end, &c.	about 5,794	3′9″×2′6″	brick	The same as applied for.
	2,787	3′0″×2′0″	do.	
	360	2′0″×2′0″	do.	
	1,747	1′6″×1′6″	do.	
	1,395	12 inch	pipes	
	167	9 ,,	do.	
Goldsmith's-place, Kilburn	400	3′0″×2′0″	brick	
FULHAM.				
New-road, Hammersmith	3,500	4′0″×2′9″	brick	The same as applied for.
Masbro-road	800	4′0″×2′9″	do.	
ST. PANCRAS.				
Road between Queen-street and Fitzroy-road	170	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th July, 1865, stating that it would be necessary, for the execution of the works for the covering, deepening, and reconstruction of the Ranelagh Sewer, that the lands, tenements, and premises, more particularly described in the Schedules accompanying the Report, should be occupied by the Board, and recommending that the necessary Order be passed.

The Schedules referred to in the said Report were laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Carpmael—That the Report be approved; and it was ordered as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing certain sewers and works ordered, and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the under-mentioned Officers and Contractor of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon, and otherwise lawfully interfere with, the lands, tenements, and premises, mentioned and referred to in the Book or Schedule now produced to the Board; it is resolved and ordered—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said sewers and works, Joseph William Bazalgette, Engineer of this Board; Thomas Lovick, Assistant Engineer of this Board; Edward Thirst, Contractor of this Board, and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them, be empowered and required to enter upon, and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said lands, tenements, and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupiers of the said lands, tenements, and premises, respectively, three days at least before such entry.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
13th July, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 12th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	Material supplied from the River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	4,489	5,212
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	4,489	5,212

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 12th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	53,453	113,354
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	60,317	123,530

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 183,847 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

13. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
13th July, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT—(CONTRACT No. 1).

I regret to report that, on the 7th instant, a boy, in the employment of the Contractor, was carrying a pail of water on the staging opposite Cannon Wharf, when he slipped and fell into the water, and before he could be recovered, life was extinct.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

14th July, 1865.

I regret to have to add to this Report, that yesterday one of the Contractor's men was sitting on some timber, from which he accidentally fell over into the river, and was drowned.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 7th instant, (No. 18).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the Report be approved, and that it be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
14th July, 1865.

The flushing men were cleansing the Low Level Sewer in the Old Kent-road, and for this purpose had a penstock closed above them, and not being aware that a heavy fall of rain was taking place above them, the penstock was not opened until a large body of water had accumulated behind it. When opened, there was a rush of water to the Engines at Deptford, which worked well, and in the course of a few hours two engines reduced the flow to its ordinary condition.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th July, 1865, on an application from the Contractors of the Metropolitan District Railway, for permission to make a temporary connection with the Main Victoria-street Sewer, for the purpose of draining their works, stating that the Contractors for the Railway having informed him of their intention to commence their works in Victoria-street, at the beginning of the present week, and having requested permission to make a temporary connection with the Board's Main Sewer in that street, near Vauxhall Bridge-road, for the purpose of discharging the water from the works, he had, pending the Meeting of this Board, and in order that the work might not be delayed, sanctioned the laying of the pipe into the sewer in the manner proposed, upon the distinct understanding that every precaution should be used to prevent the sewer becoming silted up with sand, earth, &c., and that the necessary works both for making the connection with the sewer, and for re-instating it upon the completion of the railway works, should be done under the direction and to the entire satisfaction of the Officers of this Board, and at the sole cost of the Company; and requesting the sanction of the Board thereto.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that the course taken by the Engineer be sanctioned and approved.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th July, 1865, on a letter from the Engineer of the Midland Railway Company, submitting a Plan of the proposed extension of the Main Fleet Sewer, from near Carker's-lane to Lower Mansfield-place, Kentish Town.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Plan now submitted be sanctioned, upon condition that the sewer, from the springing downwards, be constructed in Portland cement, and the arches in lias mortar, the work being done at the sole expense of the Company, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th July, 1865, on a letter from the Surveyor to Christ's Hospital, with reference to building over a portion of the Southern High Level Sewer traversing the joint Estate of the Governors of the Hospital, and the Cloth Workers' Company, at High-road, New-Cross.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that the Governors of Christ's Hospital be permitted to build over the portion of the Southern High Level Sewer, at High-road, New Cross, as shown upon the Plan now submitted; that the requisite concrete foundation be provided by the Board, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary license.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th July, 1865, submitting for the approval of the Board, the Contract-Drawings and Specification, for covering, deepening, and otherwise improving the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for the diversion of the sewage through Garratt-lane from a part of the Wandle, prepared pursuant to the Resolutions of the Board of 30th June last, (No. 3), and 7th instant, (No. 3), and recommending that Advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Drawings and Specification be approved, and that Advertisements be forthwith issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works, such Tenders to be opened at the Meeting of the Board on the 4th August next.

19. Read a Report, as follows—

Spring Gardens,
14th July, 1865.

On Letter from Mr. Galbraith (no date), submitting for approval two drawings of designs for deadening sound and rendering water-tight the bridges to be constructed on the Kensington and Richmond line of Railway.

The two drawings are submitted as alternatives for general approval of the principle on which they are designed, and without reference to their application to any particular bridge.

In design No. 1, the rails are laid on chairs and transverse sleepers, which are bedded on ballast in the ordinary way, the ballast being carried by Malet's buckled plates supported on cross girders, the water being carried off by gutters, laid under the plates in a direction parallel to the main girders.

This plan will doubtless be effective in deadening sound, and I recommend that it be approved, subject to the gutters being placed under every longitudinal joint of the buckled plates, and having a sufficient fall, towards the abutments of the Bridge. I would also suggest that the gutters be made of light castings, of an ornamental character, to improve the appearance of the bridge.

In the second design, the rails are carried on longitudinal whole timber sleepers, supported on wrought-iron bearers between the cross girders, the bridge being rendered water-tight by a flooring

of wrought-iron, laid upon the cross girders, a second flooring of 1½ inch planking is laid on bottom flanges of cross girders, the space between the two floors being packed with Burnettized sawdust, to deaden the sound.

I recommend that this plan also be approved, subject to the planked floor being tongued with metal tongues, and the wrought iron floor being laid with a sufficient fall towards the abutments, and the wrought iron covering to sleepers being carried well over to form an efficient drip.

The above approval of a general principle should not supersede the liability of the Company to submit designs showing its application in each particular case.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the proposed modes of rendering the intended bridges water-tight, and deadening the sound, be sanctioned, subject to the conditions contained in the foregoing Report.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contracts for the execution of the following works, together with the Bonds, duly executed by the Contractors and their Sureties, viz.—

Mr. Dethick's Contract for the Diversion of a portion of the Main London Bridge Sewer.

Mr. Thirst's Contract for Covering-over, Deepening and Re-constructing a portion of the Ranelagh Sewer and Branch.

Mr. Webster's Contract for the Construction of the Foundations of the Abbey Mills Engine House.

Mr. Moxon's Contract for Covering-over and Diverting a portion of the Falcon Brook Sewer, &c.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said several Contracts; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

21. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Round, Office of Woods, &c., dated 4th July, 1865, forwarding a letter from Sir George F. Duckett, to the Commissioners of Woods &c., dated 29th June, 1865, stating that he was the owner of a certain piece of ground near Sir George Duckett's Canal, claimed by Mr. Bird, and under which the Northern High Level and Middle Level Sewers have been carried.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That Sir G. F. Duckett's letter be communicated to Mr. Bird.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hargrove, Fowler, and Blunt, dated 8th July, 1865, requesting to know whether the sewer in the West Ferry-road, in the Isle of Dogs, was under the exclusive control of the Poplar District Board of Works, or whether this Board had any authority over the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, and that he be instructed to reply thereto.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Lindo and Sons, dated 11th July, 1865, stating that Messrs. Delaney and Okes were about to commence proceedings against Mr. Dethick, for alleged damage to their property at Greenwich, in the execution of sewerage works, and requesting permission to defend the action on the part of Mr. Dethick.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the request of Messsrs. Lindo and Sons be acceded to.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, dated 4th July, 1865, with reference to the claim of Mr. Charles Dagnall, for compensation for taking and

using his leasehold premises, Bridgefield-villa, Wandsworth, for the purposes of the Southern Low Level Sewer, stating that he had purchased the lease of the premises from Mr. Dagnall's lessee, of which Mr. Dagnall was aware; that he should give up the premises in the terms of the lease on the expiration of the same, but that he was not willing to do more.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board analyses of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Act, 1865, the Sewage Utilization Act, 1865, and the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act, 1865, as follow—

ANALYSIS OF THE METROPOLITAN SEWAGE AND ESSEX RECLAMATION ACT, 1865.

Sections 1 to 14 are preliminary, and do not relate to or affect the Board in a direct sense.

Section 15—Provides for the increase of the capital of the Company, with the consent of the Board, and limits the capital to £3,000,000.

Sections 16 to 34 do not affect the Board in a direct sense.

Section 35—Provides that the Estuary Lands shall be reclaimed, and embanked within fourteen years from the passing of the Act, unless such time be extended by Her Majesty in Council. Notice of any application for extension to be served on the Board one month previous to the hearing of the application. Should the lands not be embanked and reclaimed within fourteen years, or any extended period, the privileges granted by the Act to cease.

Sections 36 to 63 do not affect the Board in a direct sense.

Section 64—Provides that the Company may let reclaimed lands, but as to leases exceeding twenty-one years in possession, or for any term not in possession, only with the approval of the Board.

Section 65—The Company may mortgage reclaimed lands with consent of the Board.

Section 66—The Company may sell the reclaimed lands with the approval of the Board.

Section 68—No person to be bound, or entitled to inquire, whether the approval of the Board has been given to the disposal of lands by the Company.

Section 69—The Company to construct the following conduits, viz.—

A conduit from the Northern Outfall Sewers to a field in the Parish of Rawreth, (called the Main Conduit).

A conduit from the termination of the Main Conduit to near the Tillingham Coast Guard Station, in the Parish of Dengie, (called the Dengie Conduit).

A conduit from the termination of the Main Conduit to the Foulness Sands, (called the Foulness Conduit).

A conduit from the East Reservoir of the Metropolis Main Drainage, to the Main Conduit in the Parish of Dagenham, (called the Woolwich Branch Conduit).

Section 70—The Company to construct Main Conduit not less in area than 9ft. 6in. in diameter, with a fall of not less than 1 foot per mile, and the Dengie and foulness Conduits to be of sufficient dimensions to carry away all sewage capable of passing through such area.

Section 73—The Company may, with the approval of the Board, purchase, or lease lands.

Section 76—The communications between the sewers, or reservoirs of the Board, and the Main Conduit, and Woolwich Branch Conduit, to be made at the expense of the Company, and approved by the Engineer of the Board.

Sections 77 to 99 do not affect the Board in a direct sense.

Section 100—Limits the time for constructing the conduits to ten years.

Section 102—Limits the application of sewage for the irrigation of lands to lands within two miles of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

Section 114—Empowers the Company, with the consent of the Board, to enter into an agreement with the South Essex Estuary and Reclamation Company, in reference to the undertaking of the last-mentioned Company.

Section 115—Confirms the agreement between the Board, and Messrs. Hope and Napier, and transfers their rights to the Company.

Section 116—Annuls the 15th Article of the Agreement between the Board and Messrs. Hope and Napier, with reference to the completion of the culverts, and provides, that if the main culverts are not completed according to Article 8, of the said Agreement, the concession to cease and determine.

Section 118—Provides that two Auditors shall be appointed, one to be appointed by the Board.

Section 119—Provides that the profits payable to the Board shall belong to the Board, for the benefit of the Ratepayers of the Metropolis.

Section 120—Indemnifies the Board against all actions, suits, costs, damages, and pecuniary penalties, in respect of the acts of the Company.

Section 121—Matters to be settled by Arbitration are to be referred to Arbitration under the Railway Companies' Arbitration Act, 1859.

Section 122—The Company not to be deemed Contractors with, or agents for, or servants, or lessees of the Board, and the Board not to be liable, on account of any act, omission, neglect, or default of the Company.

Section 123—Board's Saving Clause.

Section 124—Gives power to the Company to enter into Contracts with the Board for removing and carrying away all, or any part of, the sewage on the Northern bank of the Thames.

Schedule C, is a copy of the Agreement between the Board and Messrs. Hope and Napier.

Analysis of the Sewage Utilization Act, 1865.

Section 1—Is the short title of the Act.

Section 2—Provides that the Act shall not extend to any part of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855.

Section 3—Defines the expression "sewer authority" to mean the persons, or bodies of persons, referred to in the first column of the Schedule annexed to the Act, and the term "District," to mean the place referred to in the second column of the said Schedule.

Section 4—Gives powers to sewer authorities to construct sewers, and have same under their control.

Section 5—Gives powers of entry to sewer authority, for the purpose of making or keeping in repair any works.

Section 6—Gives powers to sewer authority to pay expenses out of fund mentioned in the Schedule, and power to borrow in like manner as Local Boards have, under Local Government Act, 1858.

Section 7—A sewer authority to have same powers of taking lands as Local Boards, under 75th Section of Local Government Act, 1858.

Section 8—Compensation to be made to persons sustaining damage by reason of the exercise of the powers under the Act; if under £20, to be recovered before Justices, in a summary manner.

Section 9—Two or more sewer authorities may combine for the purpose of executing works to benefit their respective Districts.

Section 10—A sewer authority may, with the sanction of Attorney-General in England, take proceedings at law, or in equity, for the purpose of protecting any water-course within its jurisdiction from pollutions, arising from sewage, either within or without its District.

Section 11—No sewer authority to make a sewer so as to drain direct into any stream or water-course.

Section 12—Powers to Public Works Loan Commissioners to grant loans.

Section 13—Makes powers of Act accumulative.

Section 14—Gives powers to sewer authorities to utilize the sewage.

Section 15—Applies the provisions of 27 and 28 Vict., c. 114, (the Land Improvement Act, 1864), to this Act.

Analysis of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act, 1865.

Section 1—Is the short title.

Section 2—Defines the Metropolis.

Section 3—Defines the Metropolis Local Management Acts.

Section 4—Provides that, on and after 1st January, 1866, the duty of extinguishing fires and protecting life and property shall be entrusted to the Board. The Board to provide and maintain an efficient force of Firemen, and furnish them with all necessary apparatus.

Section 5—The Board to acquire stations for engines, &c., and obtain telegraphic communication.

Section 6—On and after 1st January, 1866, all stations, fire-engines, escapes, plant, and other property of the Fire Engine Establishment of the Insurance Companies to vest in the Board, subject to liabilities, including the payment of pensions. Power to Board to purchase stations, engines, and plant belonging to any Parish, place, or body within their jurisdiction.

Section 7—Force to be under command of an Officer. Officer and men to be appointed and removed at pleasure of Board.

Section 8—Board to fix salaries, and make regulations as to compensation in cases of accident or death, and as to gratuities.

Section 9—Board may make Bye-laws as to the training, discipline, and good conduct of the men.

Section 10—Board may make compensation to any Engine Keeper who is deprived of his employment, in consequence of the passing of the Act.

Section 11—The Board may make provision as to establishing fire-escapes.

Section 12—On occasion of a fire, the Chief or other Officer may take command of any Volunteer Fire Brigade, and take measures that appear expedient for the protection of life and property. Any damage occasioned by Brigade in the execution of their duties to be deemed damage by fire, within the meaning of any Policy of Insurance by fire.

Section 13—Insurance Companies to pay to the Board, annually, a contribution after the rate of £35 in £1,000,000 on the gross amounts insured by it. The first quarterly payment to be made on 1st January, 1866.

Section 14—Contributions by Insurance Companies to be deemed specialty debts.

Section 15—For the purpose of ascertaining the amount to be contributed by Companies, they are to make a return to the Board of the gross amount insured. The return made in the June of one year not to come into effect until 1st January in the succeeding year.

Section 16—Penalty of £5 per day in default of making return.

Section 17—Officers of the Board to be allowed to inspect books of Insurance Company.

Section 18—The Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to pay to the Board, as contribution, such sums as Parliament may, from time to time, grant, not exceeding in one year £10,000.

Section 19—The Board may issue Precepts to Overseers for defraying expenses of carrying Act into effect, but no contribution shall exceed in the whole, in one year, one halfpenny in the Pound on the fair annual value of property rateable to the relief of the poor, to be computed on the basis of the County Rate.

Section 20—Provides for recovery of amount of Precept.

Section 21—The Board may, with consent of the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, borrow any sum not exceeding £40,000, and apply it to the purposes of the Act.

Section 22—Gives power to the Board to turn discharged Officers, or men, out of houses provided for them.

Section 23—Fixes a penalty, not exceeding twenty shillings, for chimneys which are on fire.

Section 24—Provides for the recovery of penalties.

Sections 25 and 26—Regulate proceedings before Justices.

Section 27—Provides for auditing Accounts.

Section 28—The Board may delegate their powers to a Committee.

Section 29—If Insurance Companies establish a force to save property at fires, the Board to afford necessary assistance to that force in the performance of their duties.

Section 30—The Board to permit force to proceed beyond limits of Metropolis, for the purpose of extinguishing fires, on owner paying expenses.

Section 31—The Board to send information of fires to Insurance Offices.

Section 32—Transfers all the powers of Parishes, as to Fire Plugs, &c., to the Board.

Section 33—Defines the word "Owner" to mean the person receiving the rack-rent of the premises in connection with which the word is used.

Sections 34 and 35 repeals Sections of 14 Geo. 3, c. 78, and 3 and 4, Wm. 4, c. 90.

Resolved—That the said analyses be printed, and circulated among the Members of the Board.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board a transcript of the Short-hand Writer's notes in the action brought by the Phœnix Gas Company against Mr. Dethick, for improperly laying sewer pipes and works under his Contract for the Greenwich Sewers, which he had obtained, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of Friday last, (No. 37).

27. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the question between the Board and the Pneumatic Despatch Company, as to the removal of the Company's tube from over the sewer in High Holborn, that it might become necessary to consider what steps would have to be taken by the Board, and stated that he would instruct Counsel to determine what course should be adopted.

Resolved—That the course proposed by the Solicitor be approved.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Cridland, dated 10th July, 1865, enclosing copy Certificate of Mr. Pownall, the Arbitrator in the reference between the Board and Mr. George Hawes, for damage to his premises, Commerce House, Walham-green, alleged to have been caused by the execution of the Western Sewerage Works, and requesting a Cheque for the sum of £108 6s. 4d., the amount of damage and costs; and also a letter from Mr. Tibbitts, dated 13th July, 1865, objecting, on behalf of Mr. Moxon, the Contractor, to any payment being made to Mr. Hawes, and suggesting that the Court should be moved to refer the Award back to the Arbitrator.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive.

29. The Clerk laid before the Board, copies of the Orders of the Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 11), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following localities, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Curtain-road,	Shoreditch.
Browlow-road,	Ditto
Broke-road,	Ditto
Shrubland-road	Shoreditch, and Hackney.
Pont-street	St. George, Hanover-square, and St. Luke, Chelsea.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

30. The Board considered further the applications of the Vestry of Lambeth, for permission to borrow the sums of £25,000 and £7,000, respectively, for Sewerage Works; and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of Rates leviable within the said Parish, of sums of Twenty-five thousand pounds, and Seven thousand pounds, respectively, making together the sum of Thirty-two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry in the execution of certain works of sewerage within the said Parish. And, whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid: Therefore it is ordered that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the said Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, on the security of Rates leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of Thirty-two thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them, in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry, in the execution of the said works of sewerage within the said Parish, such loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding Five pounds per centum, per annum, the principal to be repaid by twenty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest on the said principal sum to be paid half yearly.

The Clerk reported that the Vestry of Lambeth had requested to be supplied with a sealed copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Ricketts, for the consent of the Board that a roof covering of wood and felt, erected over the forecourt of his house, No. 79, Pentonville-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, and used as a shelter for carriages, might be allowed to remain.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted, and that the District Surveyor be required to take immediate steps for the removal of the structure.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Cade, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a boundary-railing in front of five new houses, in Albert-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted, and that it be intimated to the applicant, that the fence must be set back 20 feet, from the centre of the thoroughfare in front of the houses.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Mumford, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buttresses to a chapel in Ledbury-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr A. Ball, on behalf of Mr. Rymer, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a new shop, in front of his house in Bruton-street, Berkeley-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Henry Love, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops, in front of the houses, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Love's-place, Coborn New-road, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the application be not granted.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. B. B. Sapwell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of open porticoes and stone balconies to three houses, to be built on the site of Nos. 29, 30, and 31, Clarges-street, May Fair, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed porticoes be open; that the plinths of the columns do not project beyond the outer face of the area curbs; that the projection of the balconies do not exceed 2 feet 6 inches from the front wall of the houses, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Alfred Day, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of his house, No. 187, City-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop do not exceed 15 feet in height, from the level of the pavement to the top of the blocking; that it be set back 15 feet, measured from the outer edge of the curb to the footway; that the land outside the site of the building be added to, and form part of, the footway, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Fuller, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a blacksmith's shop, at their premises, at Lion-wharf, Millwall, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed building be secured to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, by the insertion of a sufficient number of angle iron standards, secured to the top and bottom iron plates.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th July, 1865, on a letter from Mr. John Chalmers, complaining of injury to his premises, No. 5, St. Alban's-place, Regent-street, by the erection, by Mr. Rippen, of a water-closet to the house, No. 6, and which had been retained contrary to the decision of the Board, and of the Magistrate; and stating that it was alleged the space at the back of the house was not of sufficient area, and therefore, that the water-closet could not, under any circumstances, be permitted.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the attention of the District Surveyor be called to the point raised, as to the extent of the space attached to the house, and that Mr. Chalmers be informed of the steps taken in the matter.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Colls and Son, on behalf of the Lambeth Water Works Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at their works, Brixton-hill.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor according to law.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Hudson, on behalf of Messrs. McDougall, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises in Vineyard, Aldersgate-street.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor according to law.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Ashby and Horner, on behalf of Messrs. Spottiswoode, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a building, for Composing-rooms, at their premises in New-street-square, City.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Aldin, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews adjoining the "Swan" public house, Stockwell-green-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the buildings to be erected do not exceed the width of the mews, in accordance with the 85th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry John Hammon, on behalf of Mr. W. Wilson, for the approval by the Board of the position of a building proposed to be erected in Holly-bush-gardens, Bethnal Green-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

45. Read a communication from Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, dated 10th July, 1865, notifying that the house, No. 11, Finsbury-square, was about to be altered, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor, as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was, on the motion of Mr. Brooker, resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, did, on the 10th day of July, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of the alteration of the house, No. 11, Finsbury-square, within the District aforesaid; and the said Henry John Hammon has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edmund Woodthorpe is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 7th instant, (No. 26), as follows—

Superintending Architect's Department. Spring Gardens,
13th July, 1865.

Fire in Southwark Street.

The District Surveyor informs me that the party-wall between the premises of Messrs. Meyers, and those of Messrs. Moses, was erected according to the provisions of the Building Act, and that there was not any opening through it, as may be seen at the present time.

I believe this to be quite correct.

The District Surveyor states, that there were skylights formed along the ridges of the roof to light the upper story, which was used as workshops; but that in the construction of them, as well as

the other parts of the premises, the rules of the Act were carried out. So far as can be ascertained, in the ruinous condition of the buildings, I believe this also to be correct; and I am quite at a loss to account for the cause of the spread of the fire. The parapets, &c., appear to have been carried up a sufficient height above Messrs. Meyers' roofs, which were higher than those of Messrs. Moses.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th July, 1865, on the letter of Mr. Joseph Jennings, Surveyor of the Southern Division of the District of Marylebone, requesting the opinion of the Board as to the advisability of proceeding on a Special Case, with reference to the decision of the Magistrate, permitting the re-construction of a water closet of wooden materials, at the rear of the house, No. 17, Bryanstone-street, where a similar closet had recently been destroyed by fire, and recommending that the subject be considered, at the earliest opportunity, by the Building Act, &c., Committee, as being of great importance to the public security.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

48. The Clerk laid before the Board statements, which had been furnished to the Chairman, by the Chief Officer of the London Fire Engine Establishment, as follow—

Amount paid per Annum to Pensioners of the London Fire-Engine Establishment.

Name.	Age.	Amount each Per Annum	Total.
Mr. Fogo	63 years	£120 0 0	
,, Henderson	69 ,,	120 0 0	
,, Staples	62 ,,	120 0 0	
George Morris	67 ,,	40 0 0	
Robert Tozer	66 ,,	40 0 0	
W. Wilkinson	55 ,,	40 0 0	
W. Holloway	45 ,,	30 0 0	
Joseph James	74 ,,	20 0 0	
George Cooper	51 ,,	20 0 0	
Robert Barrow	77 ,,	20 0 0	
W. Connorton	75 ,,	15 0 0	
	Carried forward	585 0 0	

Name.	Age.		Amount each Per Annum		Total.
		Brought forward	£585 0 0		
Fredk. Perryer	47 years	... ...	13 0 0	...	
C. Goddard	55 ,,	... ...	10 0 0		
				...	£608 0 0
	Widows.				
A. Crampton,	@ 13s. per week	... ...	33 16 0	...	
R. Eilbeck	,, 12s. ,,	... ...	31 4 0	...	
F. Colf	,, 10s. ,,	... ...	26 0 0	...	
S. Solomon	,, 6s. ,,	... ...	15 12 0	...	
				...	106 12 0
		Total - -			£714 12 0

(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW,
Superintendent, London Fire Engine Establishment.

June 28, 1865.

	Government Annuities Receivable.	Total.
Mr. Fogo	... ...	£20 0 0
,, Henderson	... ...	20 0 0
,, Staples	... ...	20 0 0
G. Morris	... ...	20 0 0
R. Tozer	... ...	20 0 0
J. James	... ...	20 0 0
R. Barrow	... ...	20 0 0
		£140 0 0

(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW,
Superintendent, London Fire Engine Establishment.

June 28, 1865.

List of Contributions in support of the London Fire Engine Establishment, for the years 1864 and 1865.

	OFFICES.	BUSINESS, 1863.	At £65 per Mill. with a fixed payment of £100 per Annum for 1864.	At £65 per Mill. with a fixed payment of £100 per Annum for 1865.	For first three months of 1865.
		£	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Sun	52,076,000	3,626 14 0	3,484 18 0	871 4 6
	Phœnix	29,319,000	1,961 12 0	2,005 14 0	501 8 6
	Royal Exchange	20,813,000	1,423 14 0	1,452 16 0	363 4 0
	Imperial	20,421,000	1,468 1 0	1,427 7 0	356 16 9
	Westminster	16,998,000	1,256 1 0	1,204 17 0	301 4 3
	London	12,178,000	854 16 0	891 11 0	222 17 9
	Union	11,955,000	873 17 0	877 1 0	219 5 3
	North British and Mercantile ...	11,949,000	692 1 0	876 13 0	219 3 3
	Alliance	11,115,000	754 14 0	822 9 0	205 12 3
	Guardian	10,984,000	794 13 0	813 19 0	203 9 9
	County	10,737,000	772 15 0	797 18 0	199 9 6
	Commercial Union	9,632,000	648 6 0	726 1 0	181 10 3
	Atlas	9,019,000	694 0 0	686 4 0	171 11 0
	Hand-in-Hand	6,484,000	492 8 0	521 9 0	130 7 3
	General	2,238,000	231 3 0	245 9 0	61 7 3
	Church of England	1,683,000	208 5 0	209 7 0	52 6 9
	London and Lancashire	1,219,000	165 0 0	179 4 0	44 16 0
	London and Southwark (under)	1,000,000	165 0 0	165 0 0	41 5 0
COUNTRY OFFICES.	Liverpool and London	22,252,000	614 8 0	1,546 7 0	386 11 9
	Royal	7,828,000	548 15 0	608 16 0	152 4 0
	Norwich Union	5,158,000	420 14 0	435 5 0	108 16 3
	Manchester	3,100,000	301 10 0	301 10 0	75 7 6
	Northern	2,889,000	250 0 0	287 15 0	71 18 9
	West of England	2,517,000	262 0 0	263 12 0	65 18 0
	Lancashire	2,200,000	230 0 0	243 0 0	60 15 0
	Queen	1,756,000	165 0 0	214 2 0	53 10 6
	Scottish Union	1,673,000	214 19 0	208 14 0	52 3 6
	Scottish Provincial ... (under)	1,000,000	165 0 0	165 0 9	41 5 0
		290,193,000	20,255 6 0	21,661 18 0	5,415 9 6

(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW,
Superintendent, London Fire Engine Establishment.

June 28th, 1865.

49. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. Adams Farr, Clerk of the Whitechapel Union, dated 11th July, 1865, transmitting an account of expenses incurred by that Union, under the "Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864," for the half-year ending Lady-day last, with the Certificate of the Auditor annexed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for payment in due course.

50. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. John James Moore, dated 13th July, 1865, requesting the Board's consideration of his Tender of July 9th, 1863, for the Sewage of the South side of the Metropolis, as being repeated by him, with an additional proposal thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the said letter be printed, and be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former reference on the same subject.

51. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. G. Davis, Vestry Clerk, Shoreditch, dated 13th July, 1865, forwarding copy of a Memorial presented to that Vestry, with reference to the re-naming and re-numbering of the houses in Shepherdess-walk, City-road, and requesting the consideration of the Board in the matter.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

52. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, dated 8th July, 1865, requesting permission to borrow the sums of £45,000 and £4,000 respectively, for defraying the expenses of constructing new sewers in Battersea and Wandsworth.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

53. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Corsellis, Clerk to the Wandsworth District Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the said letter be received and entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

The Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

Battersea-rise, Wandsworth, S.W.,

Dear Sir, 30th June, 1865.

This Board at their Meeting on Wednesday last, agreed to the following resolution—

That, in the opinion of this Board, the voting of Gratuities to Officers involves a principle of expenditure which is contrary to Law, and would establish a bad precedent for the lavish expenditure of the Ratepayers' money.

Will you please lay this letter before the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Yours truly,

John Pollard, Esq. (Signed) ARTHUR ALEX. CORSELLIS.

54. The following Return was laid before the Board—

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters tested by each Inspector, with the amount of Fees received for the same, for the Quarter ending 1st July, 1865.

Weeks ending	No. of Meters.				Fees received.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Deth-ridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion Street, Spitalfields.	Castle Street Southwark.	St. Ann St., Westminster	Total.
1865.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
April 8	138	116	333	587	5 13 6	2 3 0	11 13 0	19 9 6
,, 15	90	103	223	416	3 4 6	3 6 0	7 2 0	13 12 6
,, 22	97	110	143	350	4 14 0	7 10 6	4 11 6	16 16 0
,, 29	263	170	246	679	9 0 6	3 4 6	7 5 6	19 10 6
May 6	164	141	215	520	3 11 6	5 10 0	6 16 6	15 18 0
,, 13	79	100	298	477	2 6 0	3 2 6	11 12 0	17 0 6
,, 20	139	259	383	781	5 0 6	8 17 0	10 6 6	24 4 0
,, 27	178	140	308	626	5 6 0	4 19 6	11 16 0	22 1 6
June 3	170	150	338	658	3 15 0	4 9 6	10 3 6	18 8 0
,, 10	38	90	160	288	1 15 6	1 19 0	2 8 0	6 2 6
,, 17	192	150	359	701	7 1 6	4 13 6	12 12 0	24 7 0
,, 24	182	123	320	625	4 9 6	4 5 0	9 1 6	17 16 0
July 1	140	147	220	507	4 10 0	6 5 6	8 17 6	19 13 0
Total of 3 months.	1,870	1,799	3,546	7,215	60 8 0	60 5 6	114 5 6	234 19 0

(Signed) E. CRESY.

55. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. A. Poland, addressed to Mr. Silas Taylor, dated 13th July, 1865, calling attention to damage alleged to have been done to seven houses in Regent's-terrace, Commercial-road, Stepney, by the Main Drainage works.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for a report.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 21st instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 30.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **21st** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

William Newton, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.,
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq. Ald.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 14th July, instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. The Chairman informed the Board that he and Mr. Hamilton had paid to the Bank of England the Interest due on the 1st instant, on the Main Drainage Loan; and he laid before the Board the following Statement of Accounts in connection therewith—

Accountant's Department,
1st July, 1865.

METROPOLIS MAIN DRAINAGE RATE ACCOUNT.

Collection of Rate Account.

Dr.	£ s. d.		Cr. £ s. d.
To Amounts of Precepts, as per last Account	180,262 12 9	By Amount collected and paid into Bank of England . . .	166,180 11 3
		,, Amount outstanding on Precepts .	14,082 1 6
	£180,262 12 9		£180,262 12 9

CASH ACCOUNT.

Dr.	The Bank of England in Account with Sir J. Thwaites and G. A. Hamilton, Esq.				Cr.			
1865.		£	s.	d.	1865.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 13.	To Balance from last Account	205	13	5	March 30. By Interest on Bonds to 1st Jan., 1865, (Balance)	3,000	0	0
June 30.	,, Amounts received under Precepts since last Account	166,343	1	3	July 1. ,, Bonds redeemed . .	80,000	0	0
					,, ,, Interest on Bonds to 1st July, 1865 . .	46,330	15	1
					,, ,, Balance in hand . .	37,217	19	7
		£166,548	14	8		£166,548	14	8

Dr.	Bond Account.				Cr.			
1865		£	s.	d.	1865.	£	s.	d.
Jan. 13.	To Amount of Bonds outstanding, as per last Account	.2,780,000	0	0	July 1 By Amount of Bonds redeemed (Nos. 73 to 80) .	80,000	0	0
					,, ,, Amount outstanding (Nos. 81 to 350) . . .	2,700,000	0	0
		£2,780,000	0	0		£2,780,000	0	0

(Signed) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

21st July, 1865.

3. The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the subject of the expenses which were being incurred in taking samples of sewage at the Northern Outfall Sewer, at Bow, for the purpose of testing, by Messrs. Napier and Hope.

Resolved—That the Clerk do transmit an Account of the Expenses which have been incurred to Messrs. Napier and Hope, with a view to their being liquidated; and that those gentlemen be requested to state whether they are desirous of any further samples being taken.

4. This being the day appointed by the Board on the 7th July, instant, (No. 13), for opening Tenders for the execution of the works for the Improvement and Diversion of the Woolwich Main Sewers into the Southern Outfall Sewer, the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

The Engineer handed to the Chairman his Estimate, amounting to £8,500, for the works in question.

The following Tenders were then opened—

Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road - -	£8,910
Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street - -	9,110
Mr. E. Thirst, John-street, Chelsea - - - -	9,349

It was **moved** by Mr. Doulton, M.P., seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for the execution of the works for the Improvement and Diversion of the Woolwich Main Sewers into the Southern Outfall Sewer, for the sum of £8,910, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Crickmay, Messrs. Hill and Keddell's Agent, was then called in and informed of the foregoing Resolution.

5. Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated July 20th, 1865, forwarding copy of a letter from Mr. Mills, Northumber-

land Coal Wharf, Blackwall, complaining of obstruction to the traffic by the works for the Northern Low Level Sewer, at the junction of Junction-road and Preston-road, Blackwall.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for report.

6. Mr. Savage brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
18th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of 30th June last, (No. 5), they have again considered the subject of the Improvement to be effected in City Garden-row, in the Parish of St. Luke, Old-street, by setting back the line of frontage of the houses at the Coomb-street end of the Row. On the above date, your Committee brought up a Report on the subject, recommending that, in consideration of the great value of the Improvement, in a sanitary point of view, as well as for purposes of traffic, the Board should contribute thereto, two-thirds of the proposed cost. The Report of your Committee was, however, not approved; but your Honorable Board feeling that the subject was one deserving of further consideration, again referred it to your Committee for that purpose. They have accordingly again given to it careful attention, and are still of the same opinion with regard to the desirability of the Improvement, and the propriety of the Board's contributing a considerable proportion of the cost. In deference, however, to the opinion already expressed by your Honorable Board, they now propose that the contribution to be made should not exceed one-half, and they recommend—

> That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of an Improvement to be carried out by the Corporation of the Orphan Working School, by setting back the houses in City Garden-row, in a line with the two new houses at the Coomb-street end of the Row, as shown on the Plan submitted to the Committee, at an estimated cost of £1,000, independent of professional charges, such contribution not to exceed £500; and that such contribution to be paid to the Corporation of the Orphan Working School, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
JOHN SAVAGE.
A. N. SHAW.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of effecting an Improvement in City Garden-row, City-road, by setting back the houses about to be erected there by the Corporation of the Orphan Working School, to a line with the two new houses at the Coomb-street end of the Row, as shown on the Plan now submitted, the estimated cost being £1,000; that such contribution do not exceed £500; and that the contribution be paid to the Corporation of the Orphan Working School, on a Certificate from the Architect of this Board, of the completion of the work.

7. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
18th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th instant, (No. 9), they have considered the course to be taken with reference to the Printing and Stationery required by the Board. The present Contracts will expire on the 1st October next; that for the Printing, held by Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, is at 37½ per cent below the Schedule of prices, and that for the Stationery, by Messrs. Ford and Tilt, at 38¼ per cent. below. Your Committee, taking all the circumstances into consideration, are of opinion that it would be advisable to continue these contracts for the further period of one year, and they accordingly recommend—

That the Contracts with Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, and Messrs. Ford and Tilt, trading under the style of "John Smith and Co." for Printing and Stationery, &c., be continued for a further period of one year, at the present prices, and under the existing conditions.

Your Committee have also proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of 9th June last, (No. 12), referring to them for consideration, the case of George Heron, who was for two years in the service of the Board at Stoke-upon-Trent, superintending the preparation of the iron-work for the Crossness works, and who was discharged some months ago, suffering from serious illness, alleged to have been caused by the state of the atmosphere in which he worked, at Stoke. Since the date of the above reference, and whilst enquires were being made, by direction of your Committee, to ascertain what grounds there were for concluding that the applicant's illness was caused by his work at Stoke, he died. Your Committee have ascertained that his widow is left in a very destitute condition, her husband having lingered for several months, without earning anything. His pay, while in the service of the Board, was £2 2s. a week, and he appears to have been a most deserving man; and inasmuch as he received no allowance from the Board during his long illness, your Committee are of opinion that this is a case in which some allowance should now be made, and they accordingly recommend—

That a sum, equivalent to five weeks' wages, be paid to his widow, viz., £10 10s.

Your Honorable Board having, on the 16th June last, (No. 10), referred it to your Committee to consider as to filling up the vacancy caused by the death of George Belt, Inspector of Flushing in the Eastern Division, your Committee instructed your Engineer to report whether there was any flusher in the service of the Board fit for promotion to the vacant Inspectorship. They have accordingly received a Report from that Officer, stating that George Porter has been engaged in the sewers for 18 years, that he is 46 years old, is steady and trustworthy, and thoroughly understands the duties of the post, and recommending him for appointment. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That George Porter be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Inspector of Flushing in the Eastern Division, in the place of George Belt, deceased, at a salary of £100 per annum.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 5), considered the letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey,

complaining of the flooding of houses in Snow's-fields, Bermondsey-street, and other places in the Parish. Your Committee have received a report from the Engineer on the subject, which is submitted herewith, and from which it will be seen that the flooding complained of is attributable to the state of the old sewers in the District, which are not so deep as the Main Intercepting Sewers, by several feet, and are all but on a dead level. The Engineer further states that the Contract-Drawings are now being prepared for the re-construction and diversion of the Main lines in this low-lying District, and that these works, when completed, will effectually remedy the cause of the present complaint. Your Committee recommend that a copy of the Engineer's Report be sent to the Vestry of Bermondsey.

Your Committee have further to report that in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 84), they have considered the letter from Mr. Harrap, Vestry Clerk, Acton, requesting to be informed whether any arrangement could be entered into by that Parish with the Board, whereby the sewage of the Parish could be turned into the sewers of the Board, and if so, under what conditions it would be allowed. Your Honorable Board have already received from several other localities, beyond your jurisdiction, applications of a similar nature to the present, and in withholding your consent thereto, have been guided by the fact that the Main Drainage works are designed for the drainage and rainfall, and the present and prospective water supply, of a given area. Your Committee are of opinion that those considerations are applicable to the present case, and therefore recommend—

> That Mr. Harrap be informed that the Board cannot permit the drainage of the Parish of Acton to be connected with the Main Drainage.

Your Committee have also proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd June, 1865, (No. 25), referring it to them to inquire into and report as to the propriety of the Board re-constructing only so much of the Boundary Main Sewer at Putney, as extends to the Upper Richmond-road, and in place of re-constructing the upper part of such sewer, to carry the Low Level Sewer further into Putney. Your Committee have received the following report from the Engineer on the subject—

> PUTNEY BOUNDARY MAIN SEWER.
>
> Owing to the contemplated construction of certain branch sewers by the Wandsworth District Board, it will not be necessary for this Board to construct more of the Boundary Main Sewer than extends from the Low Level line to the Upper Richmond-road, a length of 1,300 feet of 3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ brick sewer. This work is already provided for in the Contract-Drawings submitted to and approved by the Board on Friday last, and it will save the making of about 4,000 feet; on the other hand, it will be desirable to shift the storm outlet from the present outlet of Putney Brook, to the existing outlet of sewer in High-street, Putney, near the Bridge, and extend the Low Level by 550 feet of sewer, 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″, to the sewer in River-street, Putney. This would cost between £800 and £1,000, and would make a good termination to the main line, and afford facilities for the Wandsworth District Board extending their local sewers Westward, and effect a saving to the Board.
>
> (Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
> Engineer.

Your Committee recommend that the works therein mentioned, be carried out at a cost not exceeding £1,000.

Your Committee have further to report that they have, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of 23rd June last, (No. 7), considered the Memorial from the Vestry of Newington, requesting that the new sewers proposed to be built in Great Dover-street and Trinity-street, may be built forthwith, and that new sewers, at a low level, may be substituted for the existing Main Sewers, or that such Main Sewers may be at once altered, so as to give to the Parish the full benefit of the Main Drainage Scheme. The Resolution of the Board of the 7th instant, (No. 3), in effect, complies with the request of the Memorialists, as under that resolution the Plans for the re-construction, &c., of the above-mentioned sewers are now being prepared, and will be submitted to your Honorable Board with the others, as soon as ready, and your Committee recommend that the Vestry be so informed.

Your Committee have to state, with reference to the Memorial from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, urging the immediate covering over of certain sewers in the District, referred by your Honorable Board on the 30th June last, (No. 6), that the Contract-Drawings and Specification for the works referred to in the Memorial were submitted to and approved by your Honorable Board on the 14th instant, (No. 18), and that advertisements have been issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works, and your Committee recommend that the District Board be so informed.

Your Committee have further to report that, pursuant to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 8), they have received and considered the following applications for permission to use and erect fences on portions of the site of the Earl Sewer, adjoining the respective properties of the applicants, viz.—

Mr. Cyrus Legg, to enclose one-half of the width of the Earl Sewer, in the rear of his property at Rotherhithe New-road.

Mr. Rolls, to erect a fence on the site of the Earl Sewer, at Rolls'-road, Old Kent-road, as shown by the red line, between the points A and B, on the Plan submitted.

Mr. Rolls and Mr. Walton, to erect fencing over the Earl Sewer, between Mina-road and Albany-road.

Your Committee recommend that these applications be granted, on condition that the fences be erected to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board; that the usual Agreement reserving the Board's right of way over the sewer be entered into, and that the permission in each case do continue during the pleasure of the Board.

Your Committee have also, agreeably to the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 24), considered the letter from Mr. Baxter, on behalf of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, requesting to know whether there would be any objection, on the part of the Board, to the Company receiving the Sewage at Barking, near the Reservoir. Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer on the subject, and he is of opinion that there will be no objection to the proposal of the Company, and indeed, thinks it necessary that the sewage should be taken from the reservoir. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That the application be granted, the work being done to the satisfaction of the Engineer of your Honorable Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB^{T}. FREEMAN.
J. O. HALL.

ENGINEER'S REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
17th July, 1865.

On letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, with reference to alleged flooding in Snow's-fields, Bermondsey-street, and other parts of the Parish.

On inquiry, it is found that this complaint refers to the second week in last May, when, in four days, namely, the 8th, 9th, 10th, and 11th, three inches of rain fell, and several deep basements in Bermondsey-street and Snow's-fields, which have been subject to flooding for many years past, were slightly affected. The old sewers, which drain these low basements, are not so deep as the Main Intercepting Sewers by several feet, and are all but on a dead level. The Contract-Drawings are now being prepared for the re-construction and diversion of the main lines in this low-lying district, and these works, when completed, will effectually remedy the sluggish flow in the local sewers above referred to.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

To the Main Drainage Committee.

The Report of the Committee having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the Contracts with Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, and Messrs. Ford and Tilt, (trading under the style of "John Smith and Co.,") for Printing and Stationery, &c., be continued for a further period of one year, at the present prices, and under the existing conditions; and that Contracts be entered into with the said parties, accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the sum of £10 10s. be paid to the widow of George Heron, late Superintendent of the preparation of the Iron-work for the Crossness Works.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That George Porter be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Inspector of Flushing in the Eastern Division, in the place of George Belt, deceased, at a Salary of £100 per annum.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, complaining of the flooding of houses in Snow's-fields, Bermondsey-street, &c., be approved; and that a copy of the Engineer's Report, submitted by the Committee, be sent to the Vestry of Bermondsey.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That Mr. Harrap be informed that the Board cannot permit the drainage of the Parish of Acton to be connected with the Main Drainage.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the Putney Boundary Main Sewer be approved; that the Storm-outlet be shifted from the present outlet at Putney Brook, to the existing outlet of the sewer in High-street, Putney, near the Bridge, and the Low Level Sewer extended by the construction of about 550ft. of sewer, 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″, from its present termination to the sewer in River-street, Putney, at an estimated cost not exceeding £1,000.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Vestry of Newington, requesting that the proposed new sewers in Great Dover-street and Trinity-street might be forthwith executed, be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Vestry, accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, with reference to the covering over of certain sewers in

their District, be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the District Board of Works, accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That the applications of the following persons, for permission to use the sites of sewers, be granted, subject to the right of way of the Board, &c., being reserved; such permission to continue during the pleasure of the Board, viz.—

Mr. Cyrus Legg, to enclose one-half of the width of the Earl Sewer in the rear of his property, at Rotherhithe New-road;

Mr. Rolls, to erect a fence on the site of the Earl Sewer, at Roll's-road, Old Kent-road, as shown by the red line, between the points A and B, on the Plan now submitted;

Mr. Rolls and Mr. Walton, to erect fencing over the Earl Sewer, between Mina-road and Albany-road;

and that the Solicitor do prepare the necessary undertakings, accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the application of Mr. Baxter, on behalf of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, to receive the Sewage at the junction with the Northern Outfall Reservoir, be granted, the work being done to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

After discussion, the **amendment** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

8. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTTEE.

Spring Gardens,
19th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in the exercise of the authority given to them by the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd January, 1865, (No. 2), they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the New Street, from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in accordance with your resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re George Smith's Devisee, (No. 18, Poultry)—			
Purchase-money (to be paid into Court)	£17,000	0	0
Surveyor's costs, (Mr. Edmund Rushworth)	100	0	0
Re Paterson, (No. 15, St. Andrew's-hill)—			
Purchase-money (Mr. James Paterson)	1,200	0	0
Interest	11	12	10
Surveyor's costs (Mr. William D. Harding)	24	13	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Parker, Lee, and Haddock)	7	2	2
Re St. Bennett's Parish (No. 8, Addle-hill)—			
Rent, one quarter to Midsummer last, less Income-tax (Mr. W. S. Alford)	3	14	0
Re Sturges's Executors (No. 5, Chatham-place)—			
Purchase-money (payable to the Trustees of the late Rev. W. Sturges)	506	0	0
Interest and proportion of rent—less tax (payable to ditto)	20	10	6
Surveyor's fees (Mr. Edward Roberts)	13	13	0

Re Tilson (No. 3, Great Trinity-lane)—

Purchase-money (payable to Mr. Thomas Tilson) - - -	2,127	0	0
Surveyor's costs (Mr. George Pownall) - - - - -	21	0	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Clarke, Son, and Rawlins) - -	32	10	0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
EDW$^{D.}$ R. COOK.

The Report having been read—

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

9. Mr. Carpmael brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
19th July, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in obedience to the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th instant, (No. 7), they have considered the several Tenders for the execution of the works of the Southern Embankment. The Tender of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers being the lowest, your Committee have had those gentlemen before them, and ascertained the nature and extent of the works in which they have severally had experience. It appeared from the statement of Mr. Maeers, that he had been engaged in the building of the Whitechapel Workhouse, the Hackney Town Hall, and works of a similar character, but that he had had no experience whatever in the construction of works of an Engineering nature, or in any way similar to those requisite for the formation of the Embankment. With reference to Mr. Ridley, your Committee were informed, in reply to questions they put to him, that he had undertaken the construction of a Breakwater at Herne Bay, but had not, at present, proceeded further with the work than the driving of a few piles. Your Committee have ascertained from Mr. Ridley the nature of the other works upon which he has been engaged since the rejection of his Tender for the Northern Embankment, but they failed to perceive that he has acquired such additional experience, or otherwise become more capable of undertaking such a Contract as the Southern Embankment, as would justify them in recommending your Honorable Board to accept his present Tender. Your Committee think it proper to state, that a letter has been received from Mr. W. Wilkinson, one of the Sureties proposed by Messrs. Ridley and Maeers, withdrawing his name as surety, on the ground that the Tender sent in by them, was some £30,000 less than he expected, and £110,000 lower than some parties doing the same description of work. Mr. Ridley has, however, submitted another name in substitution thereof. Your Committee having given this important subject their anxious consideration, are not prepared to recommend the Board to accept the Tender of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers, for the execution of the works.

Your Committee then considered as to whether it would be advisable to adopt the usual course of accepting the next lowest Tender, or to re-advertise for further Tenders, and having regard to the experience of your Honorable Board on former occasions, when the latter course has been adopted, they are impressed with the desirability of accepting the Tender next lowest to

that of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers, which they find to be that of Mr. William Webster. Mr. Webster's Tender is for £309,000, being £30,000 in advance of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers, but, taking into consideration the fact that it is £11,000 below the estimate of your Engineer, and having regard also to the highly satisfactory manner in which Mr. Webster has executed former difficult works under your Honorable Board, your Committee are of opinion that his Tender should be accepted, and accordingly recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. William Webster, for the execution of the works of the Southern Embankment, for the sum of £309,000, be accepted, subject to the usual inquiries.

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Messrs. Paterson and Longman, stating that Mr. Norton has made his Award in the Arbitration between the Board and Mr. Steward, and others, in respect of their claim for Cannon-row wharf, required for the Northern Embankment, and that the same will be handed to the Board on payment of £168 for fees. Your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque be drawn, in favor of Mr. Norton, for £168.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WILLIAM CARPMAEL.
ED. COLLINSON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Carpmael, and seconded—That so much of the Report as relates to the Tenders for the execution of the Southern Embankment, be approved, and that the Tender of Mr. Webster for the works be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Westerton, and seconded by Mr. Roche—"That the Tender of Messrs. Ridley and Maeers, for the Southern Embankment, be "accepted, subject to the usual enquiries."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, on a division, there were—

For the Amendment—11.	
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.,	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Lyon, Major W.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Westerton.

Against the Amendment—16.	
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Clark, W. Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Carpmael.

and it was declared to be lost.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That advertisements be forthwith issued, inviting new Tenders for the execution of the Works.

The amendment having been put to the vote, on a division, there were—

For the Amendment—11.		Against the Amendment—16.	
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Lammin, W.H., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.	LeBreton, P.H., Esq.
Long, J., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Richardson, G.B., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.	Dixon, B., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
		Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Shaw.		Teller—Mr. Carpmael.	

And it was declared to be lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—15.		Against the Motion—8.	
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Lammin, W.H., Esq.	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	LeBreton, P.H., Esq.	Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.	
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Richardson, G.B., Esq.		
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Carpmael.		Teller—Mr. Savage.	

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and it was

Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. William Webster, for the execution of the works of the Southern Embankment, for the sum of £309,000, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Carpmael—That a Cheque be drawn in favour of Mr. Norton, for £168, being the amount of his fees, in the matter of the Arbitration between the Board and Mr. Steward and others, in respect of their claim for Cannon-row Wharf, required for the Thames Embankment, North; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment, North, Account, accordingly.

10. Mr. Saunders brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
21st July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 16th June, 1865 (No. 3), referring it to them to negotiate with the Government and the Bank of England for the purpose of obtaining a Loan under the Thames Embankment Loan Act, 1865, for the Thames Embankment and the new Street to the Mansion House. The result of their negotiations is embodied in the accompanying Report by the Solicitor, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Your Committee recommend—

That the course taken be approved and sanctioned; that the sum of £800,000 be raised, as mentioned in Sir Alexander Spearman's letter of the 11th July, and that securities for the same be executed, in forms approved of by Counsel.

That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the two Instruments of Security, now submitted, one for the sum of £300,000, being £100,000 for the North Embankment, and £200,000 for the New Street to the Mansion House, and the other for £100,000 for the South Embankment.

That two Cheques be drawn for the following amounts, viz.—

£375 for the Stamp on the Security for £300,000.

£125 for the Stamp on the Security for £100,000.

That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the Forms of Order and request in duplicate, also submitted herewith.

All which your Comittee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.
CYRUS LEGG.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

THAMES EMBANKMENT (NORTH AND SOUTH) LOAN.

Since the last meeting of the Committee, very many communications have been had with the Treasury, the National Debt Commissioners, and the Bank of England. The Chancellor of the Exchequer thought of a Plan which enabled a Loan by the Commissioners, and he thought that it would be carrying out the Guarantee Act of 1864 more truly, and probably place the Board in a better position thereafter, if the Commissioners of the National Debt advanced £800,000 between this and March next. The Chairman of this Board arranged accordingly with the Bank of England to forego their proposed Loan in the first instance of one million, the Bank feeling that the arrangement of the Chancellor of the Exchequer was desirable on every ground.

The Chairman of this Board, therefore, put into form the application of the Board, which is hereto annexed.

The Lords of the Treasury drew out a full Minute upon the subject, which I also annex.

Mr. C. Hall, the Conveyancing Counsel of the Board, has settled the form of security, on which I have had many interviews with Sir A. Spearman, and I have also seen the Solicitor of the Treasury upon them.

I present form of Security for £300,000, to be dated this day, for the consideration of the Committee (*i. e.*) £100,000 for the North Embankment proper, and £200,000 for the new Mansion House-street, and, if sealed to-day by the Board, the Guarantee will probably be given to-day, and the money transferred to the Board's account to-morrow.

I also present the security for £100,000 for the South side. It will be dated on or about the 1st of September. It will be necessary to seal this now, in consequence of the Recess, but it must be kept for actual use until 1st September.

It will be necessary that a Cheque be drawn for the stamp on the £300,000 security to-day, amounting to £375, and another for the £100,000 South, amounting to £125.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

COPY LETTER TO SIR A. SPEARMAN.

Spring Gardens,
8th July, 1865.

Sir,

Since the interview with which you favoured me on Thursday, I have conferred with the Governor of the Bank of England upon the proposed Loan to this Board for the purposes of the Thames Embankment, with a view to giving effect to the suggestion which the Chancellor of the Exchequer was good enough to make to me, through you, and subject to his approval, and that of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, I would propose that the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt should make the following advances for that purpose, at the rate of 3¾ per cent.—

For the Northern Embankment	£100,000	Immediately.
For the new Street to the Mansion House . .	200,000	Immediately.
For the Southern Embankment	100,000	1st Sept., 1865.

For the same, a further sum	100,000	23rd Dec., 1865.
For the Northern Embankment	100,000	3rd Feb., 1866.
For the new Street to the Mansion House . .	100,000	3rd Feb., 1866.
For the Southern Embankment	100,000	3rd March, 1866.
	£800,000	

making a total of £800,000 to be advanced by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, between the present time and 25th March next. The above dates are the nearest I can obtain, but, from the uncertainty of the rate of progress by the Contractors, and of the completion of settlements for properties required, I cannot guarantee their accuracy.

After March, 1866, the Bank of England have agreed, subject to the approval of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury, to advance to this Board a sum of £1,000,000, sterling, at the same rate of interest, viz., 3¾ per cent., in such sums as they may desire, and I collected from you, that in 1867, the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt would probably have in their hands a sufficient sum to advance the remainder of the Loan, which this Board will require, amounting probably to £680,000, in addition to the £1,800,000, to be provided as I have just stated.

I send, as you request, a copy of the instruments which were originally prepared for carrying into effect the Loan from the Bank to this Board; the dates were left blank, and they would possibly require little alteration to adapt them to the altered arrangements above sketched out.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. THWAITES,
Chairman,
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Sir A. Spearman, Bart.,
Comptroller,
National Debt Office.

National Debt Office,
11th July, 1865.

Sir,

I have the honor to acquaint you, that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury having informed the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt that they consent to the application of the sum of £800,000, (monies of the Savings Banks' and Post Office Savings' Bank funds), under the authority of the Act of 26 and 27 Victoria, cap. 61, as a Loan to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the purposes of the Thames Embankment and the new Street from Blackfriars-bridge to the Mansion House, in the City of London, and that they will exercise the authority vested in their Lordships, by guaranteeing the payment of the interest and re-payment of the principal in the manner authorized by the said Act, the Commissioners for the reduction of the National Debt are prepared to make the advances required, from time to time, according to your letter of the 8th instant, not exceeding in the whole £800,000, and at the rate of Interest therein stated, viz., 3¾ per cent. per annum, repayable in not more than eighteen years.

I shall be ready at your convenience to settle with you the form in which the security, to be given to the Commissioners by the Metropolitan Board of Works, for the advances as they shall be made, shall be given by your Board.

If there shall be no objection thereto, on the part of the Metropolitan Board of Works, it would perhaps be advisable to adopt, as far as practicable, the forms of the securities upon which advances were made to the Metropolitan Board of Works by the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, under the guarantee of the Lords of the Treasury, in the case of the Main Drainage.

I have, &c.,

Sir John Thwaites,
Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(Signed) A. SPEARMAN.

Treasury Chambers,
11th July, 1865.

Gentlemen,

I am commanded by the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury to transmit to you a copy of Their Minute of this date, on the subject of the guarantee to be given by this Board for the Moneys to be raised by the Metropolitan Board of Works for the Thames Embankment, under the provisions of the Act, 27-28 Vic., c. 61, for your information and guidance.

I am, &c.,

The Metropolitan
Board of Works.

(Signed) SPENCER SHELLEY.

Copy of Treasury Minute, dated the 11th July, 1865.

My Lords read the Act 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 61, intituled An Act for empowering the Commissioners of the Treasury to guarantee, and the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt to advance, the sums authorised to be borrowed for the Embankment of the Thames and Improvement of the Metropolis, and for other purposes connected therewith.

By the 1st Section of this Act, the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury are empowered, if they think fit, from time to time, to guarantee the payment of the principal and interest of all or any part of the money for the time being, borrowed under the Embankment Acts, or any of them.

The 2nd Section enacts that, all Bonds and securities issued under the Embankment and Improvement Acts, or any of them, the payment of the principal and interest security whereby is intended to be so guaranteed, shall be issued by such Officer as shall be appointed by the Lords of the Treasury for that purpose.

The 3rd Section provides, that if need be, the guarantee shall be made effectual by payments out of the Consolidated Fund, and by the 4th sec., the sums so paid, if any, are to be repaid out of the Thames Embankment and Metropolitan Improvement Fund, as far as the same will extend.

The 5th Section provides, that any deficiency in the fund to repay moneys paid by the State, under the guarantee, shall be made good by a Metropolitan Rate.

Under the 6th Section, the Treasury are to apply the moneys arising from the Coal and Wine Duties to the purposes of the Act, so long as the guarantee continues.

And by the 7th Section, the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt are empowered, with the consent of the Lords of the Treasury, to lend to the Metropolitan Board of Works, the whole or any part or parts of the amount borrowed by the Metropolitan Board on account of the Thames Embankment and Metropolitan Improvement Fund, provided such advances are guaranteed in the manner authorised by the Act.

My Lords have before them, at the same time, a letter addressed by the Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to the Comptroller General of the National Debt, together with a letter from that Officer, transmitting copy of a Minute of the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, thereupon.

It appears from these papers that, if this Board shall consent thereto, the Commissioners will be prepared, under the authority of the Act, to advance to the Metropolitan Board of Works, the sum of £800,000, which that Board desires to raise on the securities set forth in the Schedule to the Act, 27 and 28 Victoria, cap. 61, with the exception of the lands acquired, and to be acquired, under the Acts between the present time and the end of March next, at 3¾ per cent. interest, repayable in not more than 18 years, and consider such an investment of Savings Banks' monies and Post Office Savings Banks' monies desirable, provided the payment of the interest and repayment of the principal be guaranteed by this Board, under the authority of the 1st Section of the Act.

It appears to my Lords, that the powers vested in them by this Act, should be exercised, in order to give effect to the intentions of Parliament to secure that the money required for those great public works should be raised at a moderate rate of interest, and they desire that the Metropolitan Board of Works, and the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, may be informed that their Lordships will guarantee the due payment of the interest and re-payment of the capital proposed to be borrowed by the former from the latter, and will consent to the arrangement submitted to them in that respect, by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt.

My Lords also desire that such guarantee shall be given by the signature of their Assistant Secretary, Mr. George Alexander Hamilton.

Their Lordships further desire that the Metropolitan Board of Works may be informed, that they will be prepared, from time to time, to give their consent to their borrowing, upon the security of the fund, such further sums as they may require for these public works, at a rate of interest not exceeding 3¾ per cent., and at the same time to guarantee the same, under the authority of the Act, 27 and 28 Vict., upon their application, not exceeding in the whole, £2,480,000, including the present £800,000.

Transmit copies of this Minute to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, and to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for their information and guidance.

The Treasury Minute, dated the 11th July, 1865, the letter of the Chairman of the Board to Sir Alexander Spearman, dated the 8th July, 1865, and the letter of Sir Alexander Spearman, dated the 11th July, 1865, in answer thereto, having been taken into consideration,

Resolved—That the sum of £800,000 be raised, as mentioned in the letter of the 11th July, and securities for the same be executed, in forms approved of by the Counsel of the Board.

And it was resolved and ordered as follows—

This Board having considered the forms of security for the sum of £300,000 (Three hundred thousand pounds), to be advanced by the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, as part of the Loan referred to in the Resolution of this day, for the Thames Embankment, North, and Metropolis Improvement, under the Thames Embankment Act, 1862, and the Metropolis Improvement Act, 1863, and having also considered the security for £100,000, further part of the Loan so referred to in the said Resolution, for the Thames Embankment, South, under the Thames Embankment Act, 1863, do hereby, under the provisions of the same Acts, and of the London Coal and Wine Continuance Acts of 1861 and 1863, and of the Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement (Loans) Act, 1864, request that the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury will be pleased to order that the Guarantee of their Lordships, by their authorized Officer, be given on the Securities, now submitted to, and approved by, the Board.

The Solicitor laid before the Board copies of the foregoing Orders, together with the two Deeds of Security to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for the advances of £300,000, and £100,000, respectively.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Orders and Deeds of Security, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Resolved—That Cheques be now drawn for payment of the Stamps on the above-mentioned Deeds of Security; and Cheques for £375 and £125 were drawn on the Thames Embankment, North, Account, accordingly.

11. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Appeal Committee, of the 29th May, 1865, made on the present owners of the under-mentioned premises, to pay in one sum forthwith, as charges for default, the several sums set opposite thereto, being the amounts outstanding of the expenses incurred by the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers in carrying out improvement works on the said premises, viz.—

2, Virginia-row, Bethnal-green	£10	2	9
3, Virginia-row, „	7	19	9
4, Virginia-row, „	8	3	1
5, Virginia-row, „	7	19	4
1 to 18, Smith's-place, Wapping	37	19	10
5, Rawstorne-street, Brompton	9	12	7
19, Lower North-street, Chelsea	20	16	9
20, Lower North-street, „	21	1	0
21, Lower North-street, „	19	13	7
19, Bryanstone-street, Bryanstone-square	10	2	3
3, Tuson's-court, Spitalfields	8	13	8
5, Tuson's-court, „	6	13	7
6, Tuson's-court, „	6	14	9
1, Tripe-yard, Spitalfields	4	6	2
2, Tripe-yard, „	4	2	11
14, Sandy's-row, Spitalfields	5	11	0
15, Sandy's-row „	11	12	2
15½, Sandy's-row „	6	0	4

16, Sandy's-row, Spitalfields	£7 9 10
17, Sandy's-row, „	2 18 2
17½, Sandy's-row, „	5 15 8
3, Marine Crescent, Bermondsey	20 15 2

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said several Orders; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

12. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. Lovely, Clerk to the Fulham District Board of Works, dated 13th July, 1865, stating that no Return had been received from the Parish of Fulham in respect of their portion of the Precept for the ordinary expenses of this Board for the current year; but that, with respect to the Hammersmith portion, he was prepared to pay over to the Treasurer a Cheque for the amount, on the Board consenting to receive the same.

Resolved—That the amount of the Hammersmith portion of the Precept be received, this Board reserving all their rights and powers for the recovery of the balance of the Precept.

13. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. T. Wainwright, dated 20th July, 1865, substituting the name of Mr. John Jones, Chairman of the City Bank, as his sole Surety for the sum of £1,000, in place of the two other Sureties, previously named. The Solicitor also laid before the Board a letter from Mr. E. G. Mullins, Manager of the West-End Branch of the City Bank, testifying to the responsibility of Mr. Jones.

Resolved—That Mr. John Jones be accepted as the sole Surety for Mr. Wainwright, for the due execution of the work of Covering Over and Diverting the White Post Lane Branch of the Earl Sewer.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st July, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS.				
Northumberland-court, Strand	100	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
CAMBERWELL.				
Coburg-road, St. George's-rd., Grosvenor-place, Gloucester-road, Grove-place, Peckham-grove, Gatten-road, Camden-grove North, East Surrey-grove, Cator-street, Crab Tree Shot-road, North-street, Sumner-street, James-street, James-grove, St. George's-street, Southampton-street, Pitt-street, John-street, Commercial-road, Charles-street, Smith-street, New-road, &c.	5,860	3′9″×2′6″	brick	The same as applied for.
	abt. 11,135	3′0″×2′0″	,,	
	1,660	15 inch	pipe	
	9,605	12 ,,	,,	
Coburg-road, James-road, Earl-street, Victoria-place, Oakley-place, William-st., Albany-row, John-street, Gloucester-place, Neate-st., St. George's-street, Bath-street, Canal-street Surrey-place, &c.	2,100	4′6″×3′0″	brick	
	abt. 2,690	3′9″×2′6″	,,	
	350	3′0″×2′0″	,,	
	1,100	15 inch	pipe	
	7,105	12 ,,	,,	

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
ROTHERHITHE.				
From near Neptune-st., through Church-street, to Deptford-road, near Paradise-row	320	3′0″×2′0″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
Rear of Clark's Orchard to Church-street	430	15 inch	pipe	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

15. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
20th July, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 19th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	4,843	6,050
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	4,843	6,050

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 19th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	58,296	119,404
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	65,160	129,580

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 194,740 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th July, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 7th July instant, (No. 39), on the letter from Mr. T. Phythian, complaining of nuisance from the cartage of filling-in material through York-buildings, Adelphi, to the Thames Embankment works, (Contract No. 1), stating that the complainant had been informed that the cartage of the material in question was necessary for the purpose of covering the foreshore as speedily as possible, in order that the same might be raised above the tidal influence, and thus prevent the deposit thereon of decom-

posing matter, the effluvia from which had been much complained of by some of the residents in the vicinity of the Embankment works; and, further, that the Contractor had promised to use every precaution in order, as far as practicable, to lessen the inconvenience of which Mr. Phythian complained.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th July, 1865, on a letter from the Lewisham District Board of Works, requesting the sanction of this Board to a proposed deviation as shown by the red line on the Plan accompanying the application, in the route of a portion of the Penge and Bell-green Sewer, the amended Plan for the construction of which was approved by the Board on the 19th July, 1864 (No. 13), and which the Board determined, on the 3rd March last (No. 6), should be adhered to, stating that it was represented the alteration had been suggested by Mr. Cator, through whose estate the sewer would pass, and the inducements held out to the District Board to concede it, were, the waiver by Mr. Cator of all claim for compensation for damage done by the sewer, and the termination of a long and expensive litigation between them.

It was moved by Mr. Sanders, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved; and that the Board of Works for the Lewisham District be permitted to construct the Bell-green and Penge Sewer in the manner shown by the red line on the Plan now submitted to the Board, instead of in the route sanctioned by the Board on the 19th July, 1864, (No. 13).

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th July, 1865, on a letter from Messrs. H. and F. Chester, on behalf of Mr. W. White, calling attention to alleged settlements in his house, No. 4, St. George's-terrace, Beresford-street, in the execution of the Southern Low Level Sewer works; stating that the claim for the alleged structural injury to the house in question, is one for which, if sustainable, Mr. Webster is liable, under the terms of his contract with this Board; that a copy of the letter had therefore been forwarded to him for attention, and recommending that Messrs. Chester be so informed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st July, 1865, recommending the reparation and under-pinning of about 80 feet of the Fleet Sewer, in Mansfield-place, Kentish Town, at an estimated cost of £80, under the Contract for General Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st July, 1865, on applications from the following Vestry and District Boards, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
		WESTMINSTER.			
1865. 18 July	Stanford-street	Constructing gullies	1 week	1 week	Edward-street.
,,	Little College street	Re-laying carriage-way	1 week	1 week	Bowling and Abingdon-streets.
		PLUMSTEAD.			
18 July	Church-lane, Victoria-rd., Wellington-rd.	Sewerage works	2 months	2 months	Charlton-lane and Lansdowne-road.
		ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE.			
20 July	Conduit-street, between Regent-street and Mill-street	Repaving	10 days	10 days	Maddox-street.
,,	Chester Mews	Do.	10 days	10 days	Grosvenor-place

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said Vestry and District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st July, 1865, on a letter from Sir C. Fox and Son, submitting, for approval, a sketch of centering proposed to be used for the erection of the Bridge over the York-road, Battersea, sanctioned by the Board on the 23rd June last, (No. 17), stating that the design submitted showed a central and two side openings, the former having a span of 20 feet 6 inches, with a minimum headway of 9 feet, and a maximum of 17 feet, and the latter having a span of 11 feet, and a clear headway throughout of 8 feet.

Resolved—That the design of centering now submitted for the erection of the Bridge over the York-road, Battersea, be approved, on condition that such centering be removed at the expiration of two months from the commencement of its erection.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board the list of Bills in Parliament during the last Session (Lords and Commons), which had required the attention and supervision of the Board.

Resolved—That the said list be received, and entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

1. Acton and Brentford Railway .	Bill passed into Law.
2. Acton and Twickenham Railway.	It was found upon perusal that those two Bills did not affect Works and Matters under the jurisdiction of the Board. Bill not proceeded with after second reading.

3.	Balham and Brixton Junction Railway	Petition presented by the Board. This Bill was withdrawn by the promoters.
4.	Barnet, Hendon, Hampstead, and London Railway. . . .	Petition presented by the Board. The Board's Clauses were inserted.
5.	Blackwall, Greenwich, and Woolwich Railway	This Bill was withdrawn by the promoters.
6.	Bromley Gas	Found not to affect works of the Board.
7.	Crystal Palace High Level Railways	This Bill was withdrawn by the promoters.
8.	Crystal Palace New Railways .	This Bill was read a second time, but afterwards not proceeded with.
9.	Courts of Justice Concentration .	Petition presented by the Board, and Board's Clauses inserted.
10.	Courts of Justice Building Bill .	Found not to affect the Board.
11.	Cheltenham and Gloucestershire Water Bill	Petition presented by the Board. Bill read 1st time ; on 2nd reading it was put off for 6 months.
12.	East London and Thames Tunnel Railway	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
13.	Eastern Metropolitan Underground Railway . . .	This Bill was withdrawn by the promoters.
14.	Edgware, Highgate, and London Railway (Junctions with Tottenham and Hampstead Junction Railway).	Petition presented by the Board. The portion of the Bill which affected Finsbury Park was opposed by the Board's Counsel in Committee, and struck out of the Bill. The Bill was again opposed in the Lords on Clauses which the Committee inserted.
15.	Fulham Railways . . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
16.	Fire Brigade (Metropolis) Bill .	This Bill received the Royal Assent on 5th instant. Analysis presented on 14th July, 1865.
17.	Great Eastern Railway (additional powers)	This Bill found not to affect any of the Board's works.
18.	Great Western Railway (additional powers)	The Board obtained the insertion of their Clauses in this Bill.

19.	Great Eastern, London, and Blackwall Railway . . .	This Bill found not to affect the Board.
20.	Great Northern Railway—Hornsey and Hertford Branch . .	This Bill found not to affect the Board.
21.	Hammersmith and City Railway (Additional Lands—Alteration of levels)	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
22.	Hornsey and Kingsland Junction Railway	The like.
23.	Hyde Park Gate Estate . .	Board's Clauses were inserted in this Bill and not removed.
24.	India Office	This was a Public Bill, which Government did not proceed with.
25.	Inperial Gas Bill	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
26.	King's Cross, Islington, and Limehouse Railway.	This Bill was withdrawn by the promoters.
27.	London, Blackwall, and Millwall Extension Railway . . .	The Board's Clauses were inserted in this Bill and retained.
28	London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway (Additional Powers)	Petition presented. Board's Clauses inserted.
29.	London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (No. 1) . . .	Petition presented—Opposed in consequence of stopping up Holland-street. The opposition to the stopping Holland-street was thought unfounded; but the Committee of the Lords inserted the usual saving Clause of the Board.
30.	London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (No. 2) . . .	Found not to affect the works of the Board.
31.	London, Chatham, and Dover Railway, and London and South Western Railway (Additional lands)	The like.
32.	London Field, purchase and appropriation	The Plans for this scheme were deposited, but no Bill brought in.
33.	London and North Western Railway (New Works and additional powers)	Found not to affect any works of the Board.
34.	London and South Western Railway, Kensington and Richmond Railway	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.

35.	London and South Western Railway (additional powers) . .	Found not to affect Board's works.
36.	London and South Western Railway (New Lines in Surrey) .	The like.
37.	London, Tilbury, and Southend Railway Bill	The like.
38.	Locomotives on Roads Bill .	Power is given by this Bill to the Board to make Orders as to the hours during which, and the speed at which, locomotives are to pass through the Metropolis; and the 41st Section of the Thames Embankment Act, 1862, stands un-repealed.
39.	Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation	Petition presented. This Bill received the Royal Assent on the 19th June last. An analysis of this Bill is printed in the Minutes of the Board, of the 14th July, 1865.
40.	Metropolitan and St. John's-wood Railway (Extension to Hampstead)	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
41.	Metropolitan and South London (Thames Tunnel) Railway .	This Bill was withdrawn by the Promoters.
42.	Metropolitan District Railway .	Board's Clauses were inserted in this Bill and retained.
43.	Metropolitan Railway . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
44.	Midland Railway . . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
45.	Metropolitan Hydraulic Power .	This Bill was withdrawn.
46.	Metropolitan Toll Bridges Bill .	Petition presented by the Board. Bill referred to Committee, to consider generally. Committee reported, and Bill not proceeded with.
47.	Metropolitan Main Drainage Bill .	Received Royal Assent, 2nd June last.
48.	Metropolitan Houseless Poor Bill	Received Royal Assent, 2nd June last.
49.	Metropolitan Market Bill . .	Found not to affect the Board.
50.	North London, Highgate, and Alexandra-park Railway . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
51.	North London Railway (additional powers) . . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
52.	North Surrey Railways . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
53.	New Cross Roads	Bill withdrawn.
54.	North Kent Railway Extension .	Found not to affect the Board.

55.	Piccadilly and Park-lane (New Road Improvement) . .	The Committee refused to pass the preamble of this Bill.
56.	Public Offices, Site, and Approaches, Westminster	Found not to affect the Board.
57.	Private Bill Costs Bill . .	Regulates the Charges with respect to Private Bills before the House.
58.	Regent's Canal, Limehouse Basin, and Cut	Petition presented by the Board. . Board's Clauses inserted in Bill.
59.	Railway Construction Facilities Act, 1864, Amendment . .	Not proceeded with after the second reading, and Report of the Committee of the House.
60.	Rivers Waters' Protection Bill .	Bill withdrawn.
61.	Railways Clauses' Bill . .	Bill withdrawn.
62.	St. Clement Dane's Improvement	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
63.	South Eastern Railway (New Lines to Greenwich, Woolwich, and Cranbrook) . . .	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
64.	South Kensington New Road .	Read 2nd time 20th February, and not proceeded with.
65.	Southwark and Vauxhall Water .	Petition presented by the Board. Bill withdrawn.
66.	South Metropolitan Gas Bill .	Found not to affect Board.
67.	Southwark Bridge Transfer .	Petition presented. Name of the Board struck out of the Bill at the request of Counsel.
68.	Sewage Utilization Bill . .	The Metropolis is excluded from this Bill.
69.	Tottenham and Hampstead Railway (Deviation and New Junction)	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
70.	Tottenham and Hampstead Junction Railway (New Lines) .	The like.
71.	Tooting, Merton, and Wimbledon Extension Railway Bill . .	Found not to affect the works of the Board.
72.	Thames Valley, and London and South Western Junction Railway	The like.
73.	Union Chargeability Bill . .	Received the Royal Assent, 29th June last.
74.	Waterloo and Whitehall Railway	Petition presented by the Board. Board's Clauses inserted.
75.	West Kent Railway . . .	Found not to interfere with any works of the Board.
76.	West London Docks and Warehouses	Board's Clauses inserted and retained.

77.	Westminster Improvements .	Found not to interfere with any works of the Board.
78.	Whitechapel and Holborn Improvements	This Bill received the Royal Assent on 7th April last.
79.	Wimbledon Common . . .	Petition presented by the Board. Bill read 2nd time, 6th April, and afterwards withdrawn.
80.	Wood-green, Winchmore-hill and Enfield Railway . . .	Found not to interfere with any works of the Board.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Holmer, Robinson, and Stoneham, dated 12th July, 1865, on behalf of Mr. Thomas Barber, calling attention to alleged damage to the house No. 5, East-street, Greenwich, by the Main Drainage Works, and also a letter from Mr. Dethick, the Contractor, stating that neither he, nor the Clerk of Works, knew anything of the complaint.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, for investigation and report.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Sharpe, dated 18th July, 1865, stating, on behalf of their client, Mr. Bird, that there was no foundation for the claim of Sir George F. Duckett, to the piece of ground under which the Northern High Level and Middle Level Sewers were carried, and over which Mr. Bird applied for a license to build, and enquiring what would be necessary to satisfy the Board.

Resolved—That the further consideration of the said letter be adjourned, for the present.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Indenture of Assignment by Messrs. Arthur Stevens Davey, Frederick Thompson, and Gilbert Alder, to the Board, of building warehouses, coal yard, and premises, in the Parish of St. Clement Danes.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Indenture of Assignment; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Read a Letter, as follows—

St. Saviour's District Board of Works,
Temporary Board Room and Offices,
Church-street, Borough Market, Southwark, S.E.
14th July, 1865.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the St. Saviour's District Board of Works to inform you that, seeing the great progress that was being made in building operations in Southwark-street, the Board, in the latter part of last year, put themselves in communication with the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, with a view to that Company laying down Water Mains in the street, as a precautionary measure in case of fire, and the Board desired that such mains might be laid in the Subway. At a subsequent interview had with Mr. Rossiter, the Secretary of the Company, that gentleman stated, in reply to the letter of the Board, that while acknowledging the necessity of there being a water supply in the street, the Company could not, under any circumstances, avail themselves of the subway, as having, in conjunction with the Gas Companies, laid out a considerable sum of money in opposing the Subways Bill, it would be inconsistent on their part to do so, but they would be quite willing to lay pipes, in the usual manner. Since this interview with Mr. Rossiter the matter has lain dormant, the Board being unwilling to have the road broken up; but the late destructive fire in Southwark-street has shown the urgent necessity of there being a more efficient water supply, and has revived the subject, as on that disastrous occasion a considerable time elapsed before any water could be obtained; the supply being ultimately had from the mains in Castle and Bridge-streets, and other subsidiary thoroughfares. The Board have, therefore, again placed themselves in communication with the Water

Company, and have thought it right to communicate also with your Board, seeing that the management of the Fire Brigade is now placed in your hands, and the Subway is under your control.

Under the expectation that your Board will deem it necessary to see that some steps are immediately taken to secure a proper supply of water for the street.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) HERBERT STURMY,
Clerk.

To the Metropolitan
Board of Works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips,—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

27. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from Viscount Enfield, Secretary to the Poor Law Board, which was read.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the letter, and correspondence referred to therein, be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and they are entered accordingly—

Spring Gardens,
13th July, 1865.

Sir,

METROPOLITAN HOUSELESS POOR ACT.

The Guardians of the several Unions and Parishes within the Metropolitan District are now applying to this Board for repayment of the amount expended by them in the Relief of Destitute Wayfarers, &c., under the above-mentioned Act; and it would greatly facilitate this Board's operations, and save much trouble both to them and the Guardians, if you would kindly furnish me with certified copies of the Certificates given by the Poor Law Board, that proper wards, or places for the reception of the Houseless Poor, have been provided by the Guardians of such several Unions and Parishes, in order that this Board may be satisfied thereof, before paying the amount expended.

I observe that the Certificates are on a printed form, and I am therefore induced to think that you will be able to furnish me with the copies without much trouble.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) JOHN POLLARD,
Clerk.

The Secretary,
Poor Law Board,
Whitehall, S.W.

Poor Law Board, Whitehall, S.W.
14th July, 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by the Poor Law Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 13th instant, in which you inform them, that the Guardians of several of the Unions and Parishes within the Metropolitan District are applying to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for repayment of the amount expended by them in the relief of destitute Wayfarers, or Wanderers, under the 27th and 28th Victoria, c. 116, and you request to be furnished with copies of the Certificates given by the Poor Law Board, under Section 1 of that Act.

I am directed to state that, having regard to the requirements of Sections 1 and 4 of the Act, the Board doubt whether any Board of Guardians is, at present, in a position to be reimbursed the amount expended in carrying out its provisions. The question, however, is at present receiving the attention of the Board, and as soon as they can do so, they will make a further communication to the Metropolitan Board of Works on the subject.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) ENFIELD,
Secretary.

To John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens, S.W.

Spring Gardens,
15th July, 1865.

My Lord,

I am directed by the Metropolitan Board of Works to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 14th instant, having reference to the re-imbursement to Boards of Guardians, of expenses incurred under the Act, 27 and 28 Vic., c. 116, and I am instructed to acquaint your Lordship that some of the Boards of Guardians of the Metropolis are pressing this Board for payment of the expenses to which they have been put, under the Act in question, and with a view of justifying the Board's proceedings in withholding the payment of these amounts, I am to request that they may be favoured with particulars of the points now under the consideration of the Poor Law Board, as intimated in your Lordship's letter.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JOHN POLLARD,
Clerk of the Board.

Viscount Enfield, M.P.,
Secretary,
Poor Law Board,
Whitehall.

28. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Thomas Toller, Vestry Clerk, Hampstead, dated 17th July, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing, by the Vestry, of the sum of £6,500, for the purpose of executing sewerage works in the Parish, stating that the sum would be raised by a Mortgage of the Sewer Rates of the Parish, and that it was proposed to repay it by annual instalments in 30 years, the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

29. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. F. W. Sheilds, dated 15th July, 1865, submitting a Plan for the Utilization of the Sewage discharged by the Main Outlet Sewers on the South side of the Thames.

The Clerk reported that the several letters referred to in the Tenders opened on the 7th inst. were being printed, in order that Members should have all the information before them, previously to dealing with the subject.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Nicholay—That the further consideration of the said letter be adjourned; that the subject be inserted in the paper of business for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, and that, in the meantime, the said letter be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, with the other letters on the same subject.

30. Read a letter, as follows—

The Vestry of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea,
Vestry Hall, King's-road, S.W.
18th July, 1865.

Dear Sir,

I am directed by a Committee of this Vestry, to whom your letter of the 7th instant has been referred, to state that the views of the Vestry as to the advisability of combining the Sewer and the Embankment in one work, were fully explained in the Memorial presented in January, 1863, to which your letter is a reply; and they cannot complain of the decision to which your Board have arrived, after full inquiry, that the small saving to be expected by that plan would not justify them in delaying the former work.

With respect to the Embankment, however, *per se*, the Committee are pleased to hear that your Board entertained no doubt as to its desirability. "It would be," as Sir B. Hall, when First Commissioner, said, "one of the finest works in the Metropolis;" and they are considering the practica-

bility of your proposal of a contribution from this Parish towards its cost. There is information, however, upon one or two points, which would materially assist them, and which I am to ask at your hands. They are as follow—

1. The particulars of the Engineer's Estimate of £75,000 (or £72,000), for which he reported the Embankment between Battersea Bridge and Chelsea Hospital might be constructed, independently of the purchase of property, and of any claims for compensation.
2. An Estimate of the amount of the latter.
3. The grounds for the statement that—Your Committee have ascertained that the £38,150, "the balance of the money formerly voted by Parliament for the purpose of the "Embankment, and which has been repaid to the Treasury, could not be re-appro- "priated without a special vote of Parliament, which there is little probability of "obtaining."
4. The amount which your Board are of opinion should be contributed by this Parish.
5. In whom would the Roadway vest, after the completion of the works?

The favour of a reply at an early date, will greatly oblige this Committee.

I am, &c.,

J. Pollard, Esq., (Signed) CHAS. LAHEE,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Vestry Clerk.
Spring Gardens.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report.

31. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Marshall, Manager of the Bank of London, dated 20th July, 1865, forwarding the Broker's note and Stock Receipt for £8,888 17s. 10d. New 3 per Cents., purchased with the sum of £8,000, directed by the Board, on 14th instant, (No. 3), to be set aside, and added to the Sinking Fund for paying off the Mortgage Debts of this Board.

32. The attention of the Board having been called to the accident in Chandos-street, in the Parish of St. Paul, Covent-garden, by the falling of two houses therein,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Superintending Architect do report to the Board on the subject, at its Meeting on Friday next.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Hogg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on part of the fore-court of his house No. 7, Stringer's-row, Rotherhithe, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th July, 1865, on the modified application of Mr. Joseph Mudie, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to his house, No. 6, Elizabeth-terrace, St. Ann's-road, New Wandsworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted, and that the decision come to by the Board on the 9th June last, (No. 38,) be adhered to.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Hilton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window to the house No. 5, South-street, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. Pearson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony at the first-floor windows of the house No. 61, Davies-street, Berkeley-square, and of small balconets at the other windows, and also to the formation of a portico beneath the balcony, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the portico be entirely open at the sides and in front, and be not hereafter enclosed, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Laforest, on behalf of the Committee of the Boys' National School, at Putney, for the approval by the Board of barge boards, eaves, and other ornamental woodwork, at the School buildings, in Charlewood-road, Putney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Ansell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to "The British Oak" public house, Shrewsbury-road, Paddington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Wood and Munn, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the rear of the house, No. 232, Kent-street, Borough.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th July, 1865, on the application of F. M. Pratt, on behalf of Messrs. Braden and Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a "lookum," at their premises in Sun-alley, Bermondsey-street.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the floor of the proposed erection be efficiently supported, and the whole structure held to the wall of the building, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Grissell, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the Regent's Canal Iron Works, Eagle Wharf-road, Shoreditch.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hemming and Co., for the approval by the Board of the construction of an iron room at the rear of a Church in Egerton-road, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the angle iron uprights be secured to angle iron sills and plates, and that the whole work be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward I'Anson, on behalf of the Hop Planters' Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, within a warehouse building belonging to them, in Southwark-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the shaft be securely stayed to the several floors, as it is carried up through the building.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Sharpington and Company, on behalf of Mr. Sims, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at his factory, near the Railway-station, at Charlton.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. G. Hennell, for the approval by the Board of the erection of two houses across the end of a new road near Forest Hill Railway Station, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Bassett, for a re-consideration of his Plan for the formation of new streets at Kentish Town, submitted to the Board, on the 30th June last, (No. 51,) when the width of the street known as "Carlton Cottages" was objected to.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the parties interested be invited to attend when the subject shall be considered.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on a letter from Mr. Corsellis, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, with reference to the building line on the North side of the Upper Richmond-road, Putney, sanctioned by the Board on the 24th June, 1864 (No. 5), and calling attention to the fact that the time within which the road should have been widened had now elapsed, and that nothing had been done towards widening the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Chilton, Burton, Yates, and Hart, on behalf of Mr. Clarke, for the approval by the Board of the name "Delamere-terrace," for a continuation into Harrow-road of an existing street, so named.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. William Hodson and Edmund Hammond, that the name "Sandringham-road," might be applied to a road situate between Amhurst-road and Kingsland-road, Dalston, at present known as Church-road.

Resolved and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862—That the application be granted; that the name "Sandringham-road" be substituted for that of Church-road, in the Parish of St. John, Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st July, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. G. Delafosse, for the re-numbering of the houses in Cleveland square, Paddington.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st July, 1865, on the application of Mr. B. W. Gibsone, for the abolition of the name "Victoria-terrace," at present applied to one side of Rochester-square, St. Pancras, and for the incorporation of the houses, numerically, with those in the square.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st July, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. E. Clifton, for the approval by the Board of the name "Prospect-road" for a new street, adjoining Palace-road, Sydenham.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that, in the mean time, the Superintending Architect do ascertain the views of the District Board on the subject.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. W. Porter, Surveyor of the District of Holborn and East Strand, for the appointment of fees for surveying the erection of Hustings and Polling-booths in his District, his attention having been directed to them by a circular addressed to him from this Office.

It was **moved** by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, the ordinary fees in the Schedule are applicable to the cases referred to.

54. Read a communication from Mr. John Barnett, Surveyor of the District of the Northern Division of St. Marylebone, dated 15th July, 1865, for the appointment of fees for surveying the erection of Hustings and Polling-booths in his District.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that, in the opinion of the Board, the ordinary fees in the Schedule are applicable to the cases referred to.

55. Read a communication from Mr. Robert Lacon Sibley, Surveyor of the District of St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell, in reply to a letter from the Superintending Architect, inquiring whether he was aware of the circumstances under which a Polling-booth had been demolished under pressure of a crowd, stating that he was not acquainted, by report or otherwise, with any accident whatever, and explaining the measures he had adopted for rendering the structure secure ; and also a further letter from Mr. Sibley, stating that, in reply to enquiries he had made, he had been informed that, in consequence of an external barrier having yielded to pressure, a policeman was injured, but that the Hustings and Polling-booths were uninjured.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. Read a communication from Mr. John Young, Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, dated 14th July, 1865, notifying that the house, No. 106, Lower Thames-street, was about to be rebuilt under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor, as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, as follows—

Whereas Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, did, on the 14th of July, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of the re-building of the house, No. 106, Lower Thames-street, within the District aforesaid; and the said John Young has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. John Baldry Redman, Surveyor of the District of the Liberty of the Tower, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Baldry Redman is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

57. Read a communication from Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, dated 17th July, 1865, notifying that certain works were about to be executed at the premises, Nos. 3 and 4, Christopher-street, Finsbury, No. 27, Finsbury-place, and No. 32, Chiswell-street, under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor, as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Savage, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, did, on the 17th July, 1865, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of certain works at the premises, Nos. 3 and 4, Christopher-street, Finsbury, No. 27, Finsbury-place, and No. 32, Chiswell-

street, within the District aforesaid; and the said Henry John Hammon has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Robert Warton, Surveyor of the District of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and the Liberty of Norton Folgate, be appointed by this Board, and the said Robert Warton is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

58. Read a letter from Mr. J. H. Stevens, Surveyor of the District of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, dated 19th July, 1865, requesting the consent of the Board to the appointment of Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, of Raquet-court, Fleet-street, as his Deputy, from the 22nd July to the 26th August, 1865.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved and ordered—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment of Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, by Mr. John Hargrave Stevens, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, from the 22nd instant to the 26th August next.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 28th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 31.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **28th** day of **July**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq. Ald.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 21st July, instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.

2. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 28th July, 1865, stating the result of the enquiries, made in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 14th July instant, (No. 7), as to the Sureties proposed by Messrs. James and Samuel Williams, for the due execution of the contract for Covering-over and Improving the open Stamford Brook Sewer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the said Sureties be approved.

3. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 28th July, 1865, stating the result of the enquiries, made in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 21st July instant, (No. 4),

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as to the Sureties proposed by Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for the due execution of the contract for the Improvement and Diversion of the Woolwich Main Sewers, into the Southern Outfall Sewer.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

4. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 27th July, 1865, stating the result of the enquiries made in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 21st July instant, (No. 9), as to the Sureties proposed by Mr. William Webster, for the due execution of the contract for the Southern Embankment works.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

5. The attention of the Board having been called to the amount of the Bonds entered into with the Board for the due execution of Contracts for works,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the question of the amount to be inserted in the Bonds to be entered into by parties for ensuring the due execution of works to be carried out by the Board, be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 28th July, 1865, stating the result of the enquiries made in accordance with the Resolutions of the Board of the 9th June last, (No. 2), and the 23rd June last, (Nos. 8 and 9), as to the Sureties proposed by Messrs. Smith and Eustace, for levying the amount of the Main Drainage Precept, for the year ending 1st August next, on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, and as to the Sureties proposed by Mr. Joseph Smith, for levying the amounts of the Main Drainage Precepts, for the year ending 1st August next, on Lincoln's-Inn and the Inner Temple, respectively, and paying the same to the Treasurer and Banker of the Board.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

7. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 28th July, 1865, as to the payment, to Mrs. Blazdell, of the Cheque for £200, drawn on the 19th May last, (No. 17), in respect of the Improvement carried out at No. 29, Queen's-road West, Chelsea.

Resolved—That the said Cheque be now paid to Mrs. Blazdell.

8. Major Lyon handed in a letter from Mr. Chappell, Clerk to the Governors and Directors of the Poor of the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, dated 28th July, 1865, requesting to be informed when the repayment would be made to them of the amount expended under the "Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864," for the half-year ending at Lady-day last.

Resolved, on the motion of Major Lyon—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, in connection with the former references on the subject.

9. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
24th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the

Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Accounts to be as follows :—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 22nd July, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 22nd July, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	32,850 10 10	50,000 0 0	82,850 10 10	.....	760 1 10	592 18 9	1,353 0 7
Covent Garden Approach	485 11 0	.....	485 11 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	3,637 7 2	.....	3,637 7 2	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	184 6 7	.....	184 6 7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	857 8 2	.....	857 8 2	.....	5 0 0	.....	5 0 0
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
£	38,097 8 3	50,000 0 0	88,097 8 3	.....	765 1 10	592 18 9	1,358 0 7
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	42,604 13 8	.....	42,604 13 8	.....	.....	1,288 0 0	1,288 0 0
Main Drainage Advances	.....	100,000 0 0	100,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thames Embankment (North)	6,997 3 7	.....	6,997 3 7	.....	2,733 19 7	4,418 8 4	7,152 7 11
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	18,198 11 0	.....	.....	.....
£	87,699 5 6	150,000 0 0	237,699 5 6	18,198 11 0	3,499 1 5	6,299 7 1	9,798 8 6

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received between 8th and 22nd July, 1865—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
Precepts—		
St. Matthew, Bethnal Green	£1,770 11 8	
St. Giles's District	2,324 16 10	
Mile End Old Town	1,875 10 11	
Hackney District	3,415 17 3	
Fulham District	144 18 2	
Camberwell	3,347 17 1	
Wandsworth District	4,174 15 2	
St. John, Hampstead	1,197 6 4	
St. George-in-the-East	1,863 6 11	
St. Mary, Newington, Surrey	3,115 17 8	
Bermondsey	2,043 11 1	
Limehouse District	2,177 3 11	
	27,451 13 0	
Plans, &c., sold	18 6 0	
Fees under Sale of Gas Acts	93 6 6	
		27,563 5 6
Carried forward		£27,563 5 6

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward - - -	27,563	5	6
Southwark and Westminster Communication.			
Rent, &c.—			
Farlow - - - - - - - -	501	13	0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.			
Rates—			
Lincoln's Inn - - - - - - -	208	0	0
Thames Embankment, North.			
Plans, &c., sold (Thames Embankment, South) - - - -	34	0	6
TOTAL - - -	£ 28,306	19	0

Your Committee have examined the Certificates for the various payments set forth in the accompanying Statement and find them correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £44,526 1s. 4d. be paid.

It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board, that the sum of £20,000 was, on the 30th June last (No. 1), transferred by way of Loan from the General Current Account of the Board to the Thames Embankment Account, in order to provide for payments to be made out of the latter Account, and on the 14th instant, (No. 2), a further sum of £20,000, was advanced for the like purpose. The first instalment of the Loan from the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt having been paid over, the Thames Embankment Account is now in funds to repay the advance, and your Committee accordingly recommend—

That the sum of £40,000 be now repaid to the General Account, with interest that has accrued thereon, amounting to £57 10s. 8d.

Your Committee have also considered the state of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £50,000 be transferred from the General Current to the General Deposit Account of the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board, of 30th June last, (No. 8), they have considered the application of the Vestry of Bermondsey, for permission to borrow the sum of £4,786 for Sewerage works, and other purposes, the repayment to be spread over a period of thirty years. The amount which the Vestry desire to borrow is made up thus, viz.—

For the purchase of the Vestry Office, and Ground attached, &c.	£1,000	0	0
For the execution of Sewerage works - - - -	2,050	0	0
For Street Improvements, effected between the year 1860 and this date - - - - - -	1,736	0	0

As regards the purchase of the Vestry Office, &c., the Superintending Architect has reported to your Committee, that the arrrangement proposed to be effected by the Vestry is advantageous, and the amount required, viz., £1,000 very reasonable. The Engineer has also reported as to the proposed Sewerage works, approving of them, and stating that the estimated cost is fair and reasonable. With respect to the last of the three amounts above-mentioned, viz., £1,736 for Improvements effected by widening

streets, &c., during the last five years, your Committee find that great doubt exists as to the legality of sanctioning a Loan for works completed and paid for, so far back as is stated to be in this case; but irrespectively of the legal question, they deem it an objectionable course to sanction the borrowing of money, which has been expended in past years. Included, however, in the amount required to be borrowed, is a sum of £682, which has been expended on Improvements in Mill-street, Gun-alley, and Great Maze-pond, during the present year, and which your Committee, therefore, think may fairly be included in the Loan. With regard to the period over which the repayment should be spread, they are of opinion that thirty years would be too long in this instance, and that the requirements of the case would be met by the time for repayment being limited to twenty years. Your Committee have had before them a statement, showing the financial condition of the Parish, which in their judgment justifies the Loan. They, therefore, recommend—

> That permission be granted to the Vestry of Bermondsey to borrow the sum of £3,732 for the purchase of Vestry Office, &c., the execution of Sewerage Works, and for Street Improvements in the Parish, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of twenty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee have also proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of 9th June last, (No. 3), referring to them, for consideration, the letter from Mr. Finnis, Clerk to the Chiswick Improvement Commissioners, with reference to the payment of the amounts due from that Parish on the Precepts issued by the Board for the years 1857 to 1864, inclusive, in respect of the apportionment of the Mortgage Debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers. Your Honorable Board, on the above date, resolved that the necessary steps should be taken for quashing the present rate, and to issue new Precepts to the Overseers of the Parish, to raise the respective sums required by the Board, amounting in the aggregate to £2,921 19s. 7d. The Improvement Commissioners requested that the time for payment of this amount might be extended over a period of four years. Your Committee have since then been in communication with the Commissioners, with a view to an arrangement, by which the amount should be paid within two years; but they still urge the acceptance of their proposal, with this alteration, that the Precepts to be issued for the second, third, and fourth instalments, should contain in addition, the amount of the charge for each of the current years. Your Committee having given careful consideration to the subject, and to all the circumstances, especially the length of time during which the Precepts have remained unpaid, and have come to the conclusion, that the Board cannot, in justice to the other districts of the Metropolis, accede to the proposal of the Commissioners. The course they recommend for adoption is, that your Honorable Board should adhere to your resolution of the 9th June last, (No. 3), and that new Precepts should be at once issued for the whole amount due. It will be for your Honorable Board to decide what time shall be given to the Parish to pay the Precepts, and in case of the amount not being paid within that time, it will be necessary to take steps for levying the same in default.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had before them an application from Mr. Joseph Smith and Mr. Edwin Eustace, for remuneration for their services in preparing the Rate on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the amount of the Main Drainage Precept, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, and also an application from Mr. Joseph Smith for remuneration for his services in connection with the Rates made on Lincoln's Inn and the Inner Temple, for the amount of the Main Drainage Precepts

for the current year. Your Committee having ascertained that the duties performed, and the labour involved in the collection of the rates referred to, are similar to those in previous years, are of opinion that the usual rate of poundage, and amount for additional services, should be awarded, and they therefore recommend—

That Mr. Joseph Smith and Mr. Edwin Eustace be paid for collecting the Main Drainage rate made on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the amount collected, 50 per cent. of such poundage to be paid monthly, and the remainder on the closing of the rate; and that the sum of £5 each be paid to the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, in consideration of additional duties performed by them in connection with the making of the said rate.

That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Main Drainage rate, made on Lincoln's Inn, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected; and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said rate.

That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Main Drainage rate, made on the Inner Temple, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected.

Your Committee have also considered the question of the remuneration to be paid to Mr. Thomas Purdue, the person appointed by your Honorable Board to levy and collect the Rate made on the Middle Temple, for the amount of the Main Drainage Precept for the current year, for his services in making and collecting the said rate; and your Committee having taken into account the nature and extent of his duties, and the amount of work involved, and also the allowance that has been made to him on previous occasions, recommend—

That Mr. Thomas Purdue be paid for collecting the Main Drainage rate, made on the Middle Temple, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected; and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Thomas Purdue, in consideration of additional duties performed by him, in connection with the preparation and making of the said rate.

Your Committee have further to report that, agreeably to the resolution of the Board of the 14th instant (No. 52), they have considered the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for permission to borrow the sums of £45,000 and £4,000, for the purpose of constructing new Sewers in the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth, respectively. It is proposed to construct about 14½ miles of Sewers in the Parish of Battersea, and about 3 miles in the Parish of Wandsworth. The plans of the proposed Sewers were duly approved by your Honorable Board on the 21st April last, (No. 20). Your Committee have received a report from the Engineer, in which he states that the estimated cost of the works is fair and reasonable, and that both parishes will be greatly benefited by the improvement that will be effected in their drainage. It is proposed to raise the amount on the security of the Sewers rates. Your Committee have had before them a Statement shewing the financial condition of the two Parishes, and they find that there is no other charge on the Sewers rates. Having regard to the large amount to be expended, and the benefit that will be derived therefrom by future Ratepayers, they are of opinion that the repayment of the amount should be extended over a period of thirty years. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That the application be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for permission to borrow the sum of £6,500 for thirty years, for the purpose of executing certain Sewerage works in the Parish, referred by your Honorable Board, on the 21st instant, (No. 28). It is proposed to construct about 2½ miles of Sewers, the Plans for which were duly approved by the Board on the 14th instant, (No. 10). The Engineer has reported to your Committee, that the estimate of the cost of these works is fair and reasonable, and your Committee having had before them a statement showing the financial condition of the Parish, are of opinion that the Vestry are justified in effecting a Loan of the amount required, and that the repayment thereof should be spread over a period of thirty years, as on previous occasions. They therefore recommend—

That the loan be sanctioned, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
EDW$^{D.}$ R. COOK.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(1-6366) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1865	1,331 0 10	
(1-6367) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865	2,000 0 0	
		3,331 0 10
THIRST, E., Contractor—		
(1-6368) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865		2,000 0 0
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(1-6369) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865		1,000 0 0
CLERKS OF WORKS, &c.—		
(1-6370) Bills for Travelling Expenses to Midsummer, 1865		27 6 11
WADESON, C. A.—		
(1-6371) Bills for mounting Maps, Plans, &c., Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865		35 7 0
MITCHINSON AND CO.—		
(1-6372) Bill for Office Furniture, &c., June, 1865		4 11 0
CHAPMAN AND CLARKE—		
(1-6373) Half-year's Land Tax, for Premises in Greek Street, Soho, to Michaelmas, 1861		8 17 6
CHELSEA WATER WORKS COMPANY, &c.—		
(1-6374) Supply of Water at Office, Spring Gardens, Half-year to Midsummer, 1865		10 0 0
Carried forward		£6,417 3 3

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward -		£6,417 3 3
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(1-6375) Week ending 12th July, 1865 - -	£85 1 7	
„ 19th „ - -	88 0 7	
		173 2 2
BOGGIS, G. E., Housekeeper—		
(1-6376) Bill for Assistance in Cleaning Offices, &c., Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -		9 7 6
ABBOTT, BARTON, AND CO.—		
(1-6377) Bills for Advertisements, June and July, 1865—		
Old Street Sewer - - -	£20 9 3	
Hammersmith - - -	27 10 8	
		47 19 11
SIMMONDS, S.—		
(1-6378) Bill for Newspapers, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865		3 17 8
EQUITABLE GAS LIGHT COMPANY—		
(1-6379) Supply of Gas at Office, and at Outlet of King's Scholar's Pond Sewer, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - - -		2 14 2
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(1-6380) Bill for Fair Copying, &c., June 1st to July 1st, 1865		123 14 7
STAMPS TO CONTRACTS AND BONDS—		
(1-6381) *Re* London Bridge Sewer - - -	£6 10 0	
„ Ranelagh Sewer - - - -	8 10 0	
„ Falcon Brook Sewer - - -	9 0 0	
„ Coals for Pumping Stations, &c. - -	2 7 6	
		26 7 6
HALL, C.—		
(1-6382) Counsel's Fees, *re* Pneumatic Despatch Company -	£48 15 0	
„ Leicester Square - -	9 13 0	
		58 8 0
PHILLIPS, J., C.E.—		
(1-6383) Professional Charges, *re* Fleet Accident - -		55 10 6
WILKES, J. C., Collector—		
(1-6384) Poor Rate for Meter Testing-House, Southwark, made May, 1865 - - - -		6 5 0
GARDINER, D., Collector—		
(1-6385) Poor Rate for Meter Testing-House, Spitalfields, made July, 1865 - - - -		5 16 8
COMMERCIAL GAS COMPANY—		
(1-6386) Supply of Gas at Meter Testing-House, Spitalfields, to July, 1865 - - - - -		6 8 10
RAYMOND, J.—		
(1-6387) Counsel's Fees, *re* Sir W. Gomm, Southwark Park -		2 7 0
REILLY, F. S.—		
(1-6388) Counsel's Fees, *re* Napier and Hope - -	£144 1 0	
DITTO ditto - - -	184 16 0	
		328 17 0
BRAMWELL, F. J.—		
(1-6389) Engineer's Fees, *re* Subways Bill - - -		225 0 0
Carried forward -		£7,492 19 9

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward -		7,492 19 9
Covent Garden Approach.		
EAST, H. V.—		
(2-91) Half Year's Rent (less tax) of Premises, 21, New Street, Covent Garden, due Midsummer, 1865 - -	34 8 4	
HALL, C.—		
(2-92) Counsel's Fees, *re* Betts - - £2 4 6		
,, ,, Bishop of Winchester 2 4 6		
	4 9 0	
STAMPS TO LEASES, &c.—		
(2-93) *Re* Howard - - - - -	12 10 0	
		51 7 4
Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(3-312) Bill for Fair Copying, June, 1865 - -	2 19 7	
Stamps - - - - -	6 12 6	
		9 12 1
Finsbury Park.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(5-35) Bill for Fair Copying, June, 1865 - - -	0 7 8	
Stamps - - - - -	2 15 0	
		3 2 8
Metropolis Main Drainage.		
AIRD, J. AND SON, Contractors—		
(8-1852) Final Payment for Contract Works, Bermondsey Branch of Southern Low Level Sewer (No. 17) - -	38 3 2	
MOXON, W., Contractor—		
(8-1853) Further on account of Contract Works, Western Sewers Extension, (No. 21) - - - -	1,300 0 0	
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—		
(8-1854) Further on account of Contract Works, Northern Low Level Sewer, (No. 23) - - -	12,150 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(8-1855) On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -	1,000 0 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(8-1856) Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1865 - - - - -	368 7 10	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(8-1857) Week ending 12th July, 1865 - £95 3 0		
(8-1857) ,, 19th ,, - 97 4 2		
	192 7 2	
STAMPS TO CONTRACT AND BOND—		
(8-1858) Abbey Mills Pumping Station - - -	5 0 0	
MABERLY, J. J.—		
(8-1859) Taxed Costs, *re* Christ's Hospital - - -	95 7 2	
WADESON, C. A.—		
(8-1860) Bill for Mounting Maps, Plans, &c., April to June, 1865	2 2 6	
		15,151 7 10
Thames Embankment, North.		
FURNESS, G., Contractor—		
(9-574) Further on account of Contract (No. 1), including Plant and Materials - - -	14,000 0 0	
RITSON, A. W., AND Co., Contractors—		
(9-575) Further on account of Contract (No. 2), including Plant and Materials - - -	7,203 0 0	
Carried forward -	£21,203 0 0	£22,708 9 8

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward	21,203	0	0	22,703	9	8
STAMPS TO ASSIGNMENT—							
(9-576)	*Re* Thompson	6	10	0			
CAIRNS, SIR H.—							
(9-577)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Temple Pier Company	27	4	0			
WEEKLY WAGES—							
(9-578)	Week ending 12th July, 1865 £30 19 9						
	,, 19th ,, 34 2 3						
		65	2	0			
	DITTO (Thames Embankment, South)— 65 2 0						
	Week ending 12th July, 1865 2 0 0						
		67	2	0			
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—							
(9-579)	Bill for Fair Copying, June, 1865 £1 4 6						
	Stamps 24 0 0						
	25 4 6						
Ditto	(New Street to Mansion House) 9 16 2						
	Stamps 136 8 6						
	146 4 8						
		171	9	2			
STAMPS TO CONVEYANCES, &c., (New Street to Mansion House)—							
(9-580)	*Re* Tilson £11 0 0						
	,, Lilwall 8 0 0						
	,, Smith 85 10 0						
	,, St. Croix 10 10 0						
	,, McAdam 26 0 0						
		141	0	0			
BRISTOW, R. J.—							
(9-581)	Proportion of Rent of Premises, 5, Sise Lane, (New Street to Mansion House,—less tax)	15	3	2			
RAYMOND, J.—							
(9-582)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Haberdashers' Company	4	11	6			
ABBOTT, BARTON, AND CO.—							
(9-583)	Bill for Advertisements, Thames Embankment, South Contract	53	17	10			
WADESON, C. A.—							
(9-584)	Bill for Mounting Maps, Plans, &c., June, 1865, Thames Embankment, South	6	17	6			
CAIRNS, SIR H.—							
(9-585)	Counsel's Fees, *Re* Jennings, Thames Embankment, South	24	12	0			
ATTORNEY GENERAL—							
(9-586)	Counsel's Fees, *Re* Jennings, Thames Embankment, South	96	4	6			
					21,817	11	8
	TOTAL				£ 44,526	1	4

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
F. HEALEY.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
CHAS. HARRIS.
WM. NEWTON.
CYRUS LEGG.
EDWD. R. COOK.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
ROBERT TAYLOR.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £44,526 1s. 4d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £40,000, advanced from the General Current Account to the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, be now repaid to the General Account, with interest, amounting to £57 10s. 8d.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £50,000 be transferred from the General Current to the General Deposit Account of the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That permission be granted to the Vestry of Bermondsey, to borrow the sum of £3,732, for the purchase of the Vestry Office, &c., the execution of Sewerage Works, and for certain Street Improvements in the Parish, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of twenty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Board adhere to their Resolution of the 9th June last, (No. 3), with reference to the amounts due from the Parish of Chiswick, viz.—That the necessary steps be taken for quashing the existing rate, and that new Precepts, returnable on the 31st December next, be issued to the Parish, for payment of the amounts due.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Joseph Smith and Mr. Edwin Eustace be paid for collecting the Main Drainage Rate, made on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the amount collected, 50 per cent. of such poundage to be paid monthly, and the remainder on the closing of the rate; and that the sum of £5 each be paid to the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, in consideration of the additional duties performed by them in connection with the making of the said Rate; and Cheques for the last-mentioned amounts were drawn on the Main Drainage Rate Collection Account, accordingly.

Resolved—That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Main Drainage Rate made on Lincoln's-Inn, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected; and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Joseph Smith, in consideration of the additional duties performed by him, in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate; and a Cheque for the last-mentioned amount was drawn on the Main Drainage Rate Collection Account, accordingly.

Resolved—That Mr. Joseph Smith be paid for collecting the Main Drainage Rate made on the Inner Temple, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Thomas Purdue be paid, for collecting the Main Drainage Rate made on the Middle Temple, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, by poundage, at the rate of £5 per cent. on the amount collected; and that the sum of £5 be paid to the said Thomas Purdue, in consideration of the additional duties performed by him in connection with the preparation and making of the said Rate; and a Cheque for the last-mentioned amount was drawn on the Main Drainage Rate Collection Account, accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for permission to borrow the sums of £45,000 and £4,000 for

the purpose of constructing new sewers in the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth, respectively, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for permission to borrow the sum of £6,500, for the execution of Sewerage Works in the Parish, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

10. Mr. Newton brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
25th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them an account for interest, due to Messrs. Davey, Thompson, and Alder, on the Compensation-money paid to them in respect of the premises, Beaufort-wharf, taken by the Board for the purposes of the Northern Embankment, and having ascertained that the same is correct, they recommend—

That a Cheque for the sum of £3 3s. 0d. be drawn in favor of Messrs. Davey, Thompson, and Alder.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
J. LONG.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That a Cheque be drawn for £3 3s. 0d., in favor of Messrs. Davey, Thompson, and Alder, for interest on Compensation-money paid to them in respect of the premises, Beaufort Wharf, required for the Thames Embankment, North; and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

11. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
26th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, by virtue of the authority given to them, by the resolution of the Board, of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the undermentioned Cheques for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the New Street, from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4).

Re Soames, (No. 19, Poultry), Purchase-money (payable to Mr. H. A. Soames)	£11,500	0	0
Solicitors' costs, (Messrs. Soames and Thompson)	60	7	1
Re Bingley, (No, 10, Addle-hill), Purchase-money, (payable to Mr. John Bingley)	2,258	0	0
Interest, less tax	73	9	7
Surveyor's fees, (Mr. G. A. Deane)	31	10	0
Solicitors' costs, (Messrs. Dobinson and Geare)]	80	13	5

Re Lilwall, (No. 6, Old Fish-street), Purchase-money, (payable to Messrs. H. L. Smith and J. L. Porter)	291	11	10
Do. (payable to Mr. Charles C. Nelson)	199	1	6
Do. and Interest, (payable to Mr. William Rhind)	861	3	4
Solicitor's costs, (Mr. G. I. Shaw)	51	16	4
Surveyor's costs, (Mr. R. Ritchie)	20	0	0
Re William Samler's Devisees—			
Solicitor's costs, (Mr. Henry Samler)	55	0	0
Re Richard Samler's Devisees—			
Solicitor's costs, (Mr. W. Samler)	90	0	0
Surveyors' costs, (Messrs. Wigg, Son, and Oliver)	11	5	6

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. Sturmy, Clerk to the St. Saviour's District Board of Works, relative to the laying down of Water Mains in Southwark-street, referred by your Honorable Board, on the 21st instant, (No. 26). It appears from the letter in question, that in the latter part of last year, an application was made by the District Board to the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, with a view to that Company laying down Water Mains in the Subway of Sonthwark-street, as a precautionary measure, in case of fire; but that the Company, while expressing their willingness to lay down pipes in the ordinary way, refused to avail themselves of the Subway for that purpose, on the ground, that having in conjunction with the Gas Company, expended a large sum in opposing the Subways Bill, it would be inconsistent in them to do so. In consequence of the recent fire in Sonthwark-street, the District Board now urge the necessity of some immediate steps being taken by your Honorable Board for securing a proper supply of water for the street. Your Committee having regard to the fact that the Subway has been constructed with a view of obviating the great inconvenience arising from the breaking up of the street, are very anxious that the Gas and Water Companies should lay their pipes and mains in the same; but your Honorable Board do not, at present, possess any power to compel the Companies to do so. Your Committee recommend that a communication to that effect be addressed to the St. Saviour's District Board Works, in reply to their letter.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read and received.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That a communication be addressed to the St. Saviour's District Board of Works, to the effect that this Board have no power to compel Water Companies to lay down their Mains in the Subway in Southwark-street.

12. The Clerk laid before the Board the following Return, showing the sums paid, and those unpaid, on the Precepts for the ordinary expenses of the Board for the year 1865, payable 24th June, 1865—

Parishes, Districts or Parts.	Paid to 28th July, 1865.	Unpaid, 28th July, 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
City of London	9,632 4 4		
Saint Marylebone	8,915 14 11		
Saint Pancras	7,700 14 8		
Lambeth	8,165 10 9		
Saint George, Hanover-square	...	9,067 11 8	
Islington, Saint Mary	6,252 14 4		
Shoreditch, Saint Leonard	...	3,149 16 2	
Paddington	5,911 10 4		
Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green	1,770 11 8		
Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey	3,115 17 8		
Camberwell	3,347 17 1		
Saint James, Westminster	...	3,843 2 7	
Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell ...	1,981 8 6		
Chelsea	...	2,474 3 9	
Kensington, Saint Mary Abbot's	4,260 15 11		
Saint Luke, Middlesex	1,519 8 6		
Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark	1,963 1 4		
Bermondsey	2,043 11 1		
Saint George-in-the-East	1,863 6 11		
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields	2,149 12 1		
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town	1,875 10 11		
Woolwich	588 6 1		
Rotherhithe	1,068 8 0		
Saint John, Hampstead	1,197 6 4		
Whitechapel District	2,669 17 2		
Westminster do.	...	2,801 3 6	
Greenwich do.	...	3,680 5 9	
Wandsworth do.	4,174 15 2		
Hackney do.	3,415 17 3		
Saint Giles do.	2,324 16 10		
Holborn do.	1,669 9 0		
Strand do.	2,328 19 5		
Fulham do.	1,599 5 4	916 1 4	
Carried forward ...	93,506 11 7	25,932 4 9	

Parishes, Districts or Parts.	Paid to 28th July, 1865.	Unpaid, 28th July, 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	93,506 11 7	25,932 4 9	
Limehouse do.	2,177 3 11		
Poplar do.	2,781 4 11		
Saint Saviour's do.	2,361 5 2		
Plumstead do.	1,500 10 0		
Lewisham do.	2,842 16 5		
Saint Olave's do.	...	1,508 7 9	
The Charter House	15 19 4		
Gray's Inn	109 17 5		
Districts or Parts without the Limits of the Metropolis as defined by the Act—			
Willesden	...	21 16 2	
Acton	...	202 11 11	
Ealing	...	56 3 3	
Extra Parochial	20 4 7		
Chiswick	...	345 4 7	
Croydon	43 12 8		
Richmond	173 17 9		
£	105,533 3 9	28,066 8 5	=£133,599 12 2

The Clerk reported that, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 1), he had addressed a communication to each of the Vestries, District Boards, &c., then in default, requesting them to pay the amount of the several Precepts within 21 days from that date, and stating that, unless such amounts were paid within that period, the Board would have no alternative but to take steps for levying those which would be then due.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. W. Davis, Vestry Clerk, St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, dated 20th July, 1865, requesting 14 days' postponement for payment of the Precept issued to them.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the request of the Vestry be complied with.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. Buzzard, Vestry Clerk, St. James's, Westminster, dated 18th July, 1865, stating that arrangements would be made to discharge the amount of their Precept within the same period as in former years.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. C. Lahee, Vestry Clerk, Chelsea, dated 26th July, 1865, requesting that payment of their Precept might be allowed to remain until the Meeting of this Board after the recess.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the necessary steps be forthwith taken for levying a rate in default on the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, for payment of the Precept for the ordinary expenses of the Board, for the year 1865.

Resolved—That the person in custody of the Poor-rate of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board, within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorized, and he is hereby authorized, to demand and receive from Charles Lahee, he being the person having control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of St. Luke, Chelsea, in the county of Middlesex, a true copy of such Rate.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Thomas Price, Vestry Clerk, Mile End Old Town, dated 12th July, 1865, stating that the amount of their Precept would that day be paid into the Bank of London, and complaining of the tone of the resolution of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 1).

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, dated 18th July, 1865, stating that the Finance Committee of that Board would be prepared to sign a Cheque for the amount of the Precept early in August.

The Clerk reported that he had received no reply from the Board of Works for the Greenwich District to the communication addressed to them, pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 1).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the necessary steps be forthwith taken for levying Rates on default in the several Parishes in the Greenwich District, for payment of the Precept for the expenses of this Board, for the year 1865.

Resolved—That the person in custody of the Poor-rate of that part of the Greenwich District comprised within the Parish of Greenwich, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board, within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorized, and he is hereby authorized, to demand and receive from Edward Woolford James, he being the person having control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of Greenwich, in the county of Kent, a true copy of such Rate.

Resolved—That the person in custody of the Poor-rate of that part of the Greenwich District, comprised within the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board, within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorized, and he is hereby authorized, to demand and receive from Thomas Marchant, he being the person having control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of St. Paul, Deptford, in the County of Surrey, a true copy of such Rate.

Resolved—That the person in custody of the Poor-rate of that part of the Greenwich District, comprised within the Parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board, within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorized, and he is hereby authorized, to demand

and receive from William Sandom, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the Relief of the Poor of the Parish of St. Nicholas, Deptford, in the County of Kent, a true copy of such Rate.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Robert Slee, Clerk to the Board of Works for the St. Olave's District, dated 19th July, 1865, stating that a Cheque for the amount of the Precept would be drawn on the 1st August next, and paid as directed.

13. **Resolved**—That, as the estimated cost of the following works, respectively, is a sum exceeding £20,000, the Resolutions of the Board of the 2nd June, 1865, (No. 15), 12th May, 1865, (No. 7), and 14th July, 1865, (No. 18), approving the execution of the works, and of the Plans and Specifications for the same, be, and they are hereby, confirmed, viz.—

Southern Embankment of the Thames;

Constructing the foundation of the Abbey Mills Pumping Station;

Covering over, deepening, and otherwise improving the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and diverting the Sewage through Garratt-lane, from a part of the River Wandle.

14. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Doulton, M.P.—That No. 10, on the Paper of Business for this day, be now taken.

The Board then resumed the consideration of the letter from Mr. F. W. Sheilds, submitting a Plan for the Utilization of the Sewage discharged by the Main Outlet Sewers, on the South side of the Thames, adjourned by the Board on the 21st instant, (No. 29).

It was **moved** by Mr. Doulton, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—"That Mr. Sheilds' Plan not having been submitted within the time named in the Advertisement for Tenders for the Southern Sewage, this Board is not in a position to receive such Plan, having regard to the terms of such advertisement."

The **motion**, having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—24.		Against the Motion—2.
Beven, T., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Brushfield, T. Esq.	Lyon, Major W.	
Collinson, E. Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq. M.P.	
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	
Dixon, B., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	
Finnis, T. Q., Esq. Ald.	Shepherd, E., Esq.	
Freeman, R., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.	
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.	
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.	
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor.		Teller—Mr. Newton.

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

15. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. George Shepherd, dated 21st July, 1865, transmitting an amended Tender for the Sewage of the South side of the Thames.

It was **moved** by Mr. Doulton, M.P., seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and

Resolved—That Mr. Shepherd's amended Tender and Mr. Moore's letter, presented to the Board on the 14th instant, (No. 50), not having been submitted within the time named in the advertisement for the reception of Tenders for the Southern Sewage, this Board is not in a position to receive such amended Tender and Letter, having regard to the terms of such advertisement.

16. Mr. Phillips handed in a letter, which was read, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Strand District,
5, Tavistock Street, Covent Garden, W.C.

Dear Sir, July 20th, 1865.

By direction of the Board of Works for the Strand District, I send you, on the other side, copy of Resolution passed at a Meeting of the Board, last Evening, in reference to the widening of Carey Street, which please bring before your Board on Friday next.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JAMES H. F. LEWIS,
Clerk to the Board.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens.

At a Meeting of the Board of Works for the Strand District, held at the Board Offices, No. 5, Tavistock Street, Covent Garden, on Wednesday, the 19th day of July, 1865,

Present—Mr. D. Betts in the Chair, and 22 other Members,

It was RESOLVED *unanimously*—That this Board proceed to negociate for the acquisition of the ground at the East end of Carey Street, now vacant, for the purpose of dedicating it to the use of the public, by throwing it into the public way, and also to purchase the house, No. 100, Chancery Lane, abutting thereupon, and that application be made to the Metropolitan Board of Works, for a contribution towards the cost of the improvement.

Extracted from the Minutes.
(Signed) JAMES H. F. LEWIS,
Clerk to the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved—That Mr. Phillips be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

17. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That No. 10a, on the paper of business for this day, be now taken.

18. Read a letter, as follows—

International Financial Society, Limited. 60, Threadneedle Street,
London, 25th July, 1865.

Sir,

Understanding from Professor Way, that it is a matter of great importance that the experiments on the constitution of the Northern Sewage should not be interrupted, and that the Board are not prepared to incur any further expense on that account, I would ask you to be so good as to request the permission of the Board, that, until arrangements can be made for this Company's undertaking the charge of the experiments, they shall be continued by your Officers; and I hereby undertake and agree to pay all expenses, of every kind, incurred by the Board, in respect of these experiments, from this date, until we can appoint proper persons to perform the duty.

I have, &c.,
(Signed) W. HOPE.

To Sir John Thwaites.
&c., &c.

It was moved by Mr. Miller, M.P., seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—"That further permission be granted to Messrs. Napier and Hope, to use "the sewage for experimental purposes, upon their paying the expenses already incurred "by the Board, and agreeing to pay any expense that may be incurred in future, in "reference to such experiments."

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th July, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HACKNEY.				
Shacklewell-row, Wellington-street	490	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
Well-street, Wick-road	370	3′0″×2′0″	brick	
WANDSWORTH.				
New Park-road, Pleasant-st., King's-road, Queen's-road,	1,400	4′0″×2′8″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
Clarence-road, Atkins-road,	2,660	3′9″×2′6″	,,	
Dragmire-lane, Poynder's-road, Cavendish-road, Loat's-road, Park-hill, Park-road, Park-place, Nelson-row, White's-square, &c.	about 8,400	3′3″×2′2″	½ brick	
	5,880	15 inch	pipe	
	8,940	12 ,,	,,	
	140	2 ,,	,,	
Bottom of Carlton-grove, Battersea-park	330	9 inch	pipe	
SAINT GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE.				
Intended mews, between St. George's-square and Aylesford-street	480	3′0″×2′0″	brick	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th July, 1865, stating that it would be necessary, for the execution of the works for the covering, deepening, and re-construction of the Stamford Brook Sewer, that the lands, tenements, and premises, more particularly described in the Schedules accompanying the Report, should be occupied by the Board, and recommending that the necessary Order be passed.

The Schedules, referred to in the said Report, were laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the Report be approved; and it was ordered as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing certain sewers and works ordered, and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the under-mentioned

Officers and Contractors of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon, and otherwise lawfully interfere with, the lands, tenements, and premises, mentioned and referred to in the Book or Schedule now produced to the Board; it is resolved and ordered—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said sewers and works, Joseph William Bazalgette, Engineer of this Board; Thomas Lovick, Assistant Engineer of this Board; James Williams and Samuel Williams, Contractors of this Board, and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them, be empowered and required to enter upon, and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said lands, tenements, and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupiers of the said lands, tenements, and premises, respectively, three days at least before such entry.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th July, 1865, stating that it would be necessary, for the execution of the works for the covering and diversion of the Falcon Brook Sewer, that the lands, tenements, and premises, more particularly described in the Schedules accompanying the Report, should be occupied by the Board, and recommending that the necessary Order be passed.

The Schedules, referred to in the said Report, were laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the Report be approved; and it was ordered as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing certain sewers and works ordered, and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the under-mentioned Officers and Contractor of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon, and otherwise lawfully interfere with, the lands, tenements, and premises, mentioned and referred to in the Book or Schedule now produced to the Board; it is resolved and ordered—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said sewers and works, Joseph William Bazalgette, Engineer of this Board; John Grant, Assistant Engineer of this Board; William Moxon, Contractor of this Board, and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them, be empowered and required to enter upon, and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said lands, tenements, and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupiers of the said lands, tenements, and premises, respectively, three days at least before such entry.

22. Read a report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
27th July, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 26th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	4,017	5,148
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	...	...
	4,017	5,148

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 26th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	62,313	124,552
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	69,177	134,728

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 203,905 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

23. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th July, 1865, on an application from the following District Board, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of application.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic can be diverted.
		WESTMINSTER.			
1865. July 21	Horseferry-road, between Marsham and Holland-streets	Repaving	4 weeks	4 weeks	Great Peter-street.
,,	Holland-street, Marsham street, Earl-st., and Horseferry-road, from Marsham-street to Tufton-street	Incidental to the above repaving works	1 week each at such time as may be requisite	1 week each	Great Peter, Wood, and Holywell streets.
,,	Laundry-yard	Repaving	1 month	1 month	These are small bye places, with little through traffic.
,,	Ship-court, and the courts leading out of the same	Repaving	3 weeks	3 weeks	
,,	Parliament-street and Great George-street	Repaving crossings	1 day each	1 day each	King-street

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of such works, respectively.

24. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th July, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 21st instant (No. 5), on the letter from the Poplar District Board of Works, forwarding copy of a letter from Mr. G. A. Mills, Northumberland-wharf, Blackwall, complaining of obstruction to the traffic by the works of the Northern Low Level Sewer, at the junction of the Junction and Preston Roads, Blackwall, stating that the obstruction in question occurred on the morning of the 17th instant, and was occasioned by the placing of an engine and pump, for pumping the water from a trial-shaft, sunk near the entrance to the West India Dock; that the stoppage was

for about three hours only, and was unavoidable; and that directly the engine was up, the road was re-opened, and would not again be blocked up by the Board's works.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to the District Board.

25. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th July, 1865, on a letter from Mr. J. Cuthbert, 79, St. John-street, Clerkenwell, with reference to the alleged settlement of the front of his house, consequent upon the execution of the Middle Level Sewer works, setting forth the facts, and stating that the Contractors' attention having been called to the matter, they stated in reply, that it was nearly two years since they were upon the premises, and that they had duly repaired the latter, under the direction and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and, in fact, had left the house in a better condition than it was before their works were commenced, and recommending that Mr. Cuthbert be informed to the above effect, and that the Board, on their part, decline to admit their liability to his claim.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to Mr. Cuthbert, accordingly.

26. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th July, 1865, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 14th inst., (No. 55), on the letter from Mr. G. A. Poland, with reference to alleged damage to his houses, Nos. 1 to 7, Regent's-terrace, Commercial-road, Stepney, in the execution of the Northern Low Level Sewer works, stating that Mr. Webster was liable for any damage occasioned thereto, and his attention had been, therefore, duly called to Mr. Poland's claim, and that he had put himself in communication with the latter gentleman, and the other owners with a view to an arrangement of their respective claims.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the Report be received.

27. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S. W.,
27th July, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Henchman, Secretary to the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Company, dated 21st July, 1865, acknowledging receipt of letter from Mr. Pollard to Mr. Fowler, of 9th ultimo, conveying to him the terms upon which the Board would pay to the Company contribution of £7,000, towards the Re-construction of certain Sewers, and accepting the conditions proposed by the Board, subject to certain modifications and additions.

The modifications referred to in Mr. Henchman's letter comprise—

The re-construction of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, to a point about 250 feet South of that shown on Plan approved by the Board, and the construction of a new sewer generally under the Railway, in lieu of, at the sides thereof.

In consideration of being allowed to make this alteration, the Railway Company undertake—

To connect into the new Sewer, under the Railway, in such manner as may be reasonably satisfactory to the Engineer of the Board, all the house and other drains and sewers at present draining into the existing sewers, which are to be broken up.

To repair the sewer works at their own cost, from time to time, as may be requisite, so as to maintain them in efficient working order, on the understanding that this Board shall repay to the Company the cost of all such repairs as may be due to the wear and tear of an ordinary sewer, not constructed under a Railway.

To indemnify the Board against compensation for damage arising out of the sewer works authorized to be constructed.

In case of dispute, the matter to be referred to an Engineer, to be appointed by the Board of Trade.

The works as proposed by the Company for execution, are shown upon a Plan and Section accompanying Mr. Henchman's letter.

I recommend that the Board agree to the proposed modifications, subject to the following conditions—

That the sewer works be executed entirely in Portland Cement, the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewer to be 1 brick, and all larger sewers to be 1½ bricks in thickness, and all supplementary works of such thicknesses as may be, from time to time, determined by the Board.

That all works be protected by concrete, as may be deemed necessary by your Engineer.

That the Company construct, at points and in manner to be determined by your Engineer, the following works—

No. 16. Side entrances, with ventilators complete.
„ 15. Ventilators, in addition to the above.
„ 2. Bell-mouths, in addition to those for connecting the already existing sewers; the branch sewers therefrom to be 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, and to be extended to the outside of the Railway works.
„ 13. 12 inch drain mouths, with length of pipe to extend to the outside of Railway works.

That the Company extend the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewer, to be constructed under railway, at its upper end, near Victoria-road, to the outside of the railway works.

That the Company re-instate all Gullies and other Sewer Works which may be disturbed by their works.

That the connecting 4 feet barrel Sewer under and across Railway, near Alpha-road, be approached by steps from the existing 5′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ sewer in Park-road.

That the Board be at liberty at any future time to make such connections as they may deem necessary with the new sewer to be built under the Railway, and that the said sewer be and remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

That the works hereby authorized shall be executed to the entire satisfaction of the Board, and that there shall not be any reference to an Engineer, to be appointed by the Board of Trade; but that the decision of the Metropolitan Board of Works, with respect to all sewers, shall be final and binding upon all parties.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration; that they be requested to report to the Board thereon, on Friday next, and that, in the meantime, the Engineer's Report be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

28. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th July, 1865, on a letter from the London General Omnibus Company, requesting the Board to clear away the mud from Hammersmith Creek, near the Company's wharf, or to permit them to do it, in order to allow of a lay-by for a barge; stating that, in his opinion, it was not a work that the Board could undertake, nor sanction its being done by the Company.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the Report be approved, and that the London General Omnibus Company be informed that the Board cannot accede to their application.

29. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th July, 1865, on a letter from the Trustees of the River Lee, with reference to alleged obstruction to the navigation and damage to the Towing-path, near Three Mills, Bromley, in the execution of the Low Level Sewer works; stating that the Contractor had been communicated with on the subject; that he had, in reply, sent the following letter, the correctness of the statement, in which as to the non-obstruction of the navigation of the river, was vouched for by the Officers of the Board superintending the works—

Northern Low Level Sewer Works,
Office—42, Campbell Road, Bromley, E.,
10th July, 1865.

Dear Sir,

I have to own receipt of copy letter (1432) of the 3rd instant, from Mr. Marchant, Clerk to the Trustees of the River Lee, alleging the obstruction of the navigation, and interference with the towing-path of the river, by the erection of a dam, connected with these works; and as the Trust appears to desire to base a claim for compensation upon this allegation, I must, while believing that the Trustees are wholly misinformed upon the subject, state to the contrary; that the half of the river, and portion of the towing-path, necessary for the construction of the dam in question, have been entered upon and used legitimately by me for such purpose only, with the permission and sanction of the Trust and without, in the slightest degree, obstructing or delaying the traffic of the river, or causing any other portion of the towing-path to be interfered with, or injured, as appears to be alleged.

I must, therefore, express my surprise at this unexpected and groundless complaint, on the part of the Trust; and seeing that not any of the captains, or owners, of barges have suffered any inconvenience or delay from the erection of this dam, I hope, when the case is properly stated to the Trustees by your Board, that they will be willing to withdraw the allegation.

I have further to state, that I have, for the purposes of this contract, rented a very commodious wharf upon the River Lee, where my business is pursued in an orderly and proper manner, and in accordance with the regulations of the Trust, and that there, as well as in the erection of the dam in question, every precaution has been used, and the greatest care taken to prevent any accident or obstruction, whereby the navigation of the river could in the slightest degree be affected.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) WILLIAM WEBSTER,
MATTHEW JENNINGS, Manager.

Edward Cooper, Esq., C.E.
Resident Engineer,
N.L.L. Sewer Works, Bow.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to the Trustees of the River Lee.

30. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th July, 1865, on a letter from the Marquis of Hartington, with reference to complaints made by the Officers of the Royal Arsenal, of the nuisance arising from certain offensive manufactories below Woolwich; and also calling attention to the fact of the Sewage of Plumstead being allowed to disperse itself through the open ditches in the Marshes, near the Eastern Boundary of the Arsenal.

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that so much of the letter as refers to the nuisance arising from offensive manufactories, be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, in connection with the former reference on the same subject, and that a copy of the Report of Dr. Letheby and the Engineer, presented to the Board on the 19th May last, (No. 29), be sent to the Marquis of Hartington.

Resolved—That a copy of that part of the Marquis of Hartington's letter, complaining of the sewage of the Plumstead District being allowed to flow through the open ditches in the Marshes, be sent to the Plumstead District Board of Works.

31. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th July, 1865, on a letter from Messrs. McLean and Stileman, submitting for approval a Plan for the proposed diversion of a portion of the Northern High Level Sewer, for the purpose of carrying the Tottenham and Hampstead Junction Railway over Gordon House-lane.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the diversion of the sewer in the manner shown upon the Plan be sanctioned, upon condition that the work be done under the direction and to the entire satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company; and that a suggestion be made to the Company, to the effect that it is desirable the pier of the bridge, proposed to be constructed, should be set back to the inner line of the existing footway.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. Dethick, dated 26th July, 1865, stating, with reference to the complaint of Mr. Thomas Barber, of damage to the house, No. 5, East-street, Greenwich, by the Main Drainage works, that he and the Clerk of Works had surveyed the premises in question, and that they found no trace of injury thereto, caused by the works.

33. The Solicitor laid before the Board Mr. Wainwright's Contract for the Diversion and Covering-over of the White Post-lane Sewer, together with the Bond, duly executed by the Contractor and his Surety.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

34. The Solicitor reported that the sum of £300,000, the first instalment of the loan of £800,000, from the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for the purpose of the Thames Embankment, and the New Street to the Mansion House, had been paid-in to the Thames Embankment Account.

35. The Solicitor laid before the Board a License, in duplicate, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 14th July instant, (No. 17), to the Governors of Christ's Hospital and the Clothworkers' Company, to build over the portion of the Southern High Level Sewer, passing through their land at High-road, New Cross.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Licence and Duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

36. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.

July 28, 1865.

LOCOMOTIVES ON ROADS.

Under the Act, 28 and 29 Vic., the Act for further regulating the use of Locomotives on Turnpike, and other roads, for Agricultural and other purposes, it is declared that the Act shall come into operation on the 1st of September, 1865. In the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, the local authority, (except in the City of London), is this Board.

By Section 8, the Board may make orders as to the hours during which, and as to the speed, (not in any case to exceed two miles an hour), at which Locomotives are to pass through the City or place, subject to the jurisdiction, under a penalty of £10.

The Order is to be reduced to writing, and be sealed, and a Copy affixed to some public place, and advertised in some Newspaper, circulating within the jurisdiction.

The Board will probably take this subject into consideration, with a view to give effect to the enactment.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of the Act.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration, and that they be requested to report to the Board on Friday next.

37. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, for permission to borrow the sum of £25,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of erecting a building within the said Parish, and providing the necessary furniture and fittings for the same, and it was ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, in the County of Middlesex, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to an intended loan by the said Vestry, on the security of the General Rates leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of £25,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the purchase of a site for, and the erecting and providing a building and offices for the carrying on the duties and purposes of the said Vestry, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, within the said Parish, and in providing the necessary furniture and fittings, which it has been made to appear to this Board, upon the Report of their Finance Committee, is desirable. And whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it appears to them fit and proper that a portion of the said sum of £25,000, namely, the sum of £22,000, should be borrowed by the said Vestry, for the purpose of defraying the cost of the said site, building, furniture, and fittings: Therefore it is ordered, that the sanction in writing of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, on the security of the General Rates of the Parish, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £22,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the purchase of a site for, and the erection of the said building and offices, and providing the necessary furniture and fittings, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest on the said principal sum to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Davis, Vestry Clerk, St. Leonard, Shoreditch, dated 20th July, 1865, requesting to be supplied with a sealed copy of the above Order. He also laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

38. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Rotherhithe, for their sanction to the borrowing by the Vestry of the sum of £2,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of paving works within the said Parish, and it was ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, in the County of Surrey, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction in writing to an intended loan by the said Vestry, on the security of the Paving and General Purposes rates, leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of £2,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of certain works of paving, within the said Parish, which it has been made to appear to this Board, upon the Report of their Finance Committee, are desirable.

And whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it appears fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose of defraying the cost of the said works: Therefore it is ordered that the sanction in writing of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Rotherhithe, on the security of the paving and general purposes rates, leviable within the said Parish, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £2,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of paving, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by ten equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest upon the said principal sum of £2,000 or upon so much thereof as shall remain unpaid, to be paid yearly within the period of ten years.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated 25th July, 1865, requesting to be supplied with a sealed copy of the above Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

39. The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the Order of the Board of the 21st instant, (No. 49), for the re-naming of Church-road, Dalston.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

40. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. S. C. Ridley, dated 25th instant, requesting to be informed whether the Tender of Mr. William Webster, for the Southern Embankment works, had been accepted.

Resolved—That the Clerk do send to Mr. Ridley a copy of the Resolution of the Board of the 21st instant, (No. 9,) accepting the Tender of Mr. Webster for the works referred to.

41. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Clerks to the Vestry of Rotherhithe, dated the 25th instant, forwarding an extract from the Report of the Medical Officer of Health of the Parish, relative to the nuisance arising from the open Earl Sewer; also another letter, of the same date, urging that the lowering of the Deptford-road Sewer should be proceeded with as soon as possible.

Resolved—That the Vestry of Rotherhithe be informed that the necessary Plans and Specifications for improving the Earl Sewer, and the Main Sewer in the Deptford Lower Road, will be shortly submitted to the Board, with a view to Tenders for the execution of the works being invited.

42. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. A. Hamilton, Assistant-Secretary to the Treasury, dated 22nd July, 1865, stating that the Treasury Guarantee on the two deeds of Loan for £300,000 and £100,000, respectively, for the purposes of the Thames Embankment, North, and the New street to the Mansion House, had been signed by him, and that the Deeds had been returned to the Solicitor of the Board.

43. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Henry Doulton, dated 28th instant, applying for permission to construct two Subways, to connect his property in Prince's-street, Lambeth, abutting on the Southern Embankment, with the river; stating that he

proposed to have the subways constructed by the Contractor for the Southern Embankment, and on plans to be approved by the Engineer of the Board.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report; and that the Engineer do report thereon to that Committee.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Paul Felthouse, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five houses on the eastern side of Portobello-road, Notting hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Whitmarsh, on behalf of Mr. Lemon, that a wooden Penthouse, erected over the fore-court of the house, No. 65, Southampton-street, now called New Church-road, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, might be allowed to remain.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Few, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to a coach-house, in a mews leading out of Hamilton-place, Highbury, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd July, 1865, on the application of Lieut.-Col. McLeod, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a gateway, or entrance, to premises belonging to him, at the rear of College-street, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Ewan Christian, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses in Ashley-place, Westminster, at the corner of a street leading to Morpeth-terrace, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that no portion of the proposed frontage next the street leading to Morpeth-terrace, be advanced within a distance of nine feet eleven inches from the outer edge of the curb; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Tripp and Elliott, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of four houses in Weedington-road, Kentish-town.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be not granted.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Howe, for the consent of the Board to the construction of wooden barge boards to the dormer window of a house on No. 1 Plot, Wandsworth-common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin W. Bunnett, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a hen-house in the back garden of his house in Stanstead-road, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. H. Simmonds, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the Oil Mills in Beaver-lane, Hammersmith.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the footings and foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Wimble and Taylor, on behalf of Messrs. Freeman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises in Lombard-road, Battersea.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Carpenter, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, on land between Avenue-road and Grosvenor-street, Camberwell.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Edwards, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a building for sheltering timber at his premises, No. 84, High-street, Camden-town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the corrugated iron covering, at the ends of the proposed building, be fixed to angle iron standards, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Arthur Baker, on behalf of Mr. James Taylor, for permission to alter the frontage in New Inn-yard, Tottenham-court-road, and to erect a gateway at the entrance to the yard, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that the proposed works do not require the sanction of the Board.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Dines, for the approval by the Board of a line of frontage for houses and shops in Dartmouth-road, Forest-hill, and of the formation of a street at the rear, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground outside the new shop fronts be added to the footway; that the road-way by the flank of the end building, and leading to Raglan-street, be left 40 feet wide, and that the proposed street, be flagged over its whole surface, for the purpose of preserving it for foot traffic only.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Broadbridge, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews on the Charecroft Estate, Shepherd's Bush.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Barlow, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the widening of Shacklewell-row, Kingsland.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the surface of the street be paved with flags.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. J. and A. Stroud, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of two new roads, on the Highbury Grange Estate, Islington.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Bramwell, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street at the rear of "The Rye House," Peckham Rye, and for the re-building of that house on a new site.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the frontage of "The Rye House," next the existing road, be sanctioned, but that so much of the application as relates to the formation of the new street, be not granted.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Carter, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street, to lead out of Garratt-lane, Wandsworth, and another street at right angles thereto, at the Western-end.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th July, 1865, stating that the improvement in Rathbone-place, in the Parish of Marylebone, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Vestry of that Parish were now entitled to receive the sum of £2,000, which the Board, on the 11th July, 1862 (No. 10), agreed to contribute towards that object.

Resolved—That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £2,000, and be paid to the Vestry of Marylebone; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the letter of Mr. Henry Edward Kendall, Surveyor of the District of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and St. Ann, Soho, stating that it was proposed to re-build Saville House, Leicester-square, lately destroyed by Fire, in a way which, in his opinion, would not meet the requirements of the Act, and would not tend to diminish the risk of fire over a large extent of building area; that every effort would be made to defeat his views, even to the extent of carrying the question before the Superior Courts of Law, and therefore requesting legal assistance from the Board in the matter.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Solicitor for consideration, and that the District Surveyor be informed to that effect.

65. Read a letter from Mr. Henry Baker, Surveyor of the District of St. Pancras, dated 24th July, 1865, requesting the consent of the Board to the appointment of Mr. William Arthur Baker, as his Deputy, from the 2nd August to the 6th September, 1865.

Resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment of Mr. William Arthur Baker by Mr. Henry Baker, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of St. Pancras, from the 2nd August to the 6th September next.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th July, 1865, stating that it would be necessary, under the covenants of the lease held by the Board, to re-paint the outside wood and iron work of the Offices, in Spring-gardens, this year; and recommending that the work should be done during the ensuing vacation.

Resolved—That a Specification of the work be prepared, and that five or six persons be invited to Tender for the execution of the same, such Tenders to be laid before the Board at their next meeting.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Ansell, on behalf of Mr. Frebout, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an addition to the front, next Florence-road, of the Royal Albert Tavern, in New Cross-road, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed addition do agree in height and character with the front next the New Cross-road.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Piggott, for the approval by the Board of the construction of eaves to three houses in Kent House-road, Lower Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the party walls be corbelled out to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Talbot and Sons, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a

Boat-building shed, at their premises, No. 297, Rotherhithe-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. Bridgman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, in Latymer-road, Notting-hill.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Brass, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an addition to the City Gas Works, in Dorset-street, Whitefriars, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that the building is of greater cubical contents than is allowed by the Building Act, and that, therefore, the Board have no power to sanction it.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th July, 1865, on a correspondence between the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District and Messrs. Gwynne and Co., as to the large iron works, in the course of erection by the latter, in Lombard-road, Battersea, without widening the road, as required by law, and so as to interfere with the general line of buildings on one side of the road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Carpmael—That the matter be referred to the Superintending Architect, and Solicitor, for consideration, and that they do bring up a joint Report thereon, to the Board on Friday next.

73. The following Notices of Motion were given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Newton, (No. 248)—As to issuing Advertisements, inviting further communications with reference to the Utilization of the Sewage on the South side of the Thames.

By Major Lyon, (No. 249)—As to making provision for the relief of the traffic in Park-lane, &c.

Adjourned until Friday, the 4th August next, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 32.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **4th** day of **August, 1865**, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq. Ald.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	James Pew, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	Major William Lyon.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.		William Newton, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.		
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 28th July last, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.

2. This being the day appointed by the Board on the 14th July last, (No. 18), for opening Tenders for covering-over, deepening, and otherwise improving the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for the diversion of the sewage through Garratt-lane from a part of the river Wandle, the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

The Engineer's Estimate for the works, amounting to £42,000, was handed to the Chairman.

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

The following Tenders were then opened—

Mr. W. Moxon, No, 24, New-street, Spring Gardens -	£41,500
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington Cross - - -	45,600
Mr. William Dethick, No, 77, Great Cambridge-street	46,500
Mr. E. Thirst, John-street, Chelsea - - -	47,081
Mr. William Webster, Wyberton Villa, Lee Grove, Blackheath - - - - - - - -	48,300
Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road	50,150

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee, for the consideration of the above-mentioned Tenders, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **4th** day of **August**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

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William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq. M.P.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.

1. Mr. Doulton, M.P., brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Committee of the Whole Board.

Spring Gardens,
4th Aug., 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the Tenders, opened this day, for the covering over, &c., of the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for diverting the sewage through Garratt-lane, from a part of the River Wandle, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. William Moxon, for the works in question, for the sum of £41,500, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
FRED. DOULTON.
CYRUS LEGG.

The Report having been read, and received,
It was moved by Mr. Doulton, M.P., seconded by Mr. Legg, and
Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. William Moxon, for the execution of the works for covering-over, deepening, and otherwise improving the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and

a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for the diversion of the sewage through Garratt-lane from a part of the River Wandle, for the sum of £41,500 be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Moxon was called in, and informed of the foregoing resolution.

2. The Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board on Friday last, (No. 66), for re-painting the outside wood and iron-work of the Offices of the Board, in Spring Gardens.

The following Tenders were then opened—

Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road - -	£75	0	0
Mr. Richard Cobbett, No. 10, Northumberland-street - -	75	10	0
Messrs. William and F. Smith, No. 253, Tottenham-court-road	77	0	0
Mr. W. Thomas Nixon, York-road, Lambeth - -	87	15	0
Mr. E. Thirst, No. 1, John-street, Chelsea - - -	115	0	0

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for re-painting the outside wood and iron-work of the Offices of the Board, in Spring Gardens, for the sum of £75, be accepted.

3. Mr. Pew handed in a copy of a resolution, passed at a Meeting of the Vestry of Camberwell, held on the 2nd August, instant, as follows—

> "That many complaints having been made by Parishioners that the supply of water to this "Parish is deficient in quantity, and that many houses were left for many days without water, Mr. "Pew, the Representative of this Vestry at the Metropolitan Board of Works, be requested to repre- "sent this matter at the Board, and request that body to take some active steps to remedy the "matter."

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Camberwell, to the effect that the Board have no jurisdiction in the matter.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
2nd August, 1865.

Your Committee have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 1st August, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 1st August, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	39,152 1 9	100,000 0 0	139,152 1 9	.....	2,251 12 4	460 9 9	2,712 2 1
Covent Garden Approach	480 0 2	.....	480 0 2	.....	.....	4 9 0	4 9 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication	3,652 2 7	.....	3,652 2 7	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	181 3 11	.....	181 3 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	842 8 2	.....	842 8 2	.....	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
£	44,390 1 1	100,000 0 0	144,390 1 1	.....	2,256 12 4	469 18 9	2,726 11 1
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	27,548 13 0	.....	27,548 13 0	.....	95 7 2	1,288 0 0	1,383 7 2
Main Drainage Advances	.....	100,000 0 0	100,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thames Embankment (North)	225,946 0 8	.....	225,946 0 8	.....	454 9 2	3,105 16 4	3,560 5 6
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	18,198 11 0	.....	.....	.....
£	297,884 14 4	200,000 0 0	497,884 14 4	18,198 11 0	2,806 8 8	4,863 15 1	7,670 3 9

Your Committee have had before them, the following statement, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received between 22nd July and 1st August, 1865—	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
Precepts—		
St. Marylebone - - -	£8,915 14 11	
Lambeth - - - -	8,165 10 9	
Plumstead District - - -	1,500 10 0	
Camberwell - - - -	1,000 0 0	
St. Luke, Middlesex - - -	1,519 8 6	
Holborn District - - -	1,669 9 0	
Fulham District - - -	1,599 5 4	
	24,369 18 6	
Plans, &c. sold - - - - -	8 0 0	
		24,377 18 6
Covent Garden Approach.		
Expenses of Leases—		
Few and Co. - - - - - - -		41 7 6
Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
Expenses of Lease—		
Re Forest - - - - - - - -		24 7 6
Thames Embankment, North.		
Commissioners for Reduction of National Debt—		
First Instalment of Loan - - - - - -		300,000 0 0
Total - -		£324,443 13 6

Your Committee have examined the Certificates for the payments to the Contractors, and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the Sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £43,702 2s. 8d., be paid.

Your Committee have had under consideration, the arrangements necessary to be made for payments to the Contractors for the Main Drainage and other works, during the recess, and having received statements from your Engineer as to the amounts which will probably be required during that period, they recommend—

That the following Cheques be drawn in favour of the under-mentioned Contractors, and deposited at the Bank of London, to be handed to them during the recess, on Certificates from the Engineer of the Board, to the effect that they have executed the work to the amounts stated, and are entitled to receive the same—

Metropolis Main Drainage.

Mr. William Webster,	Southern Low Level Sewer -	£3,000,	In two Cheques of £1,000 each, and two of £500.
Do.	Crossness, Kent - - -	5,400,	In one Cheque.
Do.	Northern Low Level Sewer -	24,000,	In three Cheques, one Cheque for £12,000, and two for £6,000 each.
Do.	Pumping Station, Abbey Mills - - - -	10,000,	In two Cheques of £5,000 each.
Mr. William Dethick,	Greenwich Sewers - -	1,017,	In one Cheque.
		1,000,	do.
Messrs. Slaughter and Co.,	Deptford Pumping Station - - - - - - - - -	500,	do.
		250,	do.
Mr. William Moxon,	Western Sewers Extension -	200,	do.
		200,	do.

General Account.

Mr. William Moxon,	Falcon Brook - - -	1,000,	In two Cheques of £500 each.
Mr. T. Wainwright,	White Post-lane Sewer - -	500,	in one Cheque.
Messrs. Hill and Keddell,	Woolwich Sewers - -	500,	do.
Mr. E. Thirst,	Ranelagh Sewer - - -	2,000,	do.
Mr. William Dethick,	City-road Sewer - - -	3,000,	do.

Thames Embankment (North).

Mr. G. Furness,	Contract, No. 1, - - - -	18,000,	One Cheque for £10,000 do. 5,000 do. 3,000
Messrs. A. W. Ritson and Co.,	Contract No. 2 -	12,000,	In two Cheques of £6,000 each.

Your Committee have turned their attention to the amount standing to the credit of the Main Drainage Current Account, and they find a further advance necessary; they therefore recommend—

That the Sum of £100,000 be transferred from the Main Drainage Advances Account to the Main Drainage Current Account (John Thwaites and others), for the purposes of the Main Drainage works, £50,000 to be transferred forthwith, and £50,000 on the 25th August instant.

Your Committee have also considered the state of the other Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the Sum of £20,000 be transferred from the General Current to the General Deposit Account of the Board.

Your Committee have received from the Accountant a Statement shewing the several sums now due from the Special Accounts to the General Account of the Board, for Establishment Charges up to the 30th June last, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board; and they recommend—

That Cheques for the following amounts be drawn on the under-mentioned Accounts, and be paid to the credit of the General Account of the Board, accordingly—

Metropolis Main Drainage	£2,672 11 7
Thames Embankment, North	2,571 4 8
Thames Embankment, South	1,330 16 1
New Street to Mansion House	2,062 19 3
Southwark and Westminster Communication	866 16 9

Your Committee have further to report that in pursuance of the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th instant, (No. 1), they have considered the application of the Board of Works for the Hackney District, for permission to borrow the further sum of £5,000, for the purposes of the new Town Hall for the District. On the 22nd July, 1864, (No. 2), your Honorable Board sanctioned a loan of £10,000, for 30 years, at 5 per cent. for the construction of the Town Hall, and the present application is for the purpose of providing for the expense of certain additions to the original design, which are required, and for the necessary fittings, &c. Your Committee have received a report from the Superintending Architect, stating that the estimated cost is fair and reasonable, they therefore recommend—

That the additional loan of £5,000 be sanctioned on the same terms as the first loan of £10,000, viz., the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments, within a period of 30 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.	£	*s.*	*d.*	£	*s.*	*d.*
CHAMBER OF LONDON—						
(1-6392) One Quarter's rent of St. George's Wharf, Deptford, due Midsummer, 1865, (less tax)				12	5	10
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—						
(1-6393) For Property Taxes for Northern Outfall Sewer and Reservoir				11	10	5
SKINNER AND WHALLEY—						
(1-6394) Bill for Street Tablets, March, 1865				70	5	0
PALLANT, J.—						
(1-6395) Bill for Repairing Surveying Instruments, &c., March to July, 1865				41	0	0
Carried forward				£131	1	3

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - - -		131 1 3
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(1-6396) Week ending 26th July, 1865 - - - - -		93 2 4
DITTO—		
(1-6397) Amount to meet Payments during the recess - - - -		600 0 0
OFFICERS' SALARIES, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865—		
(1-6398) 2nd Monthly Advance on account - - - - -		727 18 6
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—		
(1-6399) Half Year's Interest on Balance of Loan of £50,000 (less tax) due 26th August, 1865 - - - -		1,066 7 1
WOODROFFE, M., Annuitant—		
(1-6400) Half Year's Annuity (less tax) due 4th September, 1865 - -		11 6 6
GIRDLER, C. M.—		
(1-6401) Witness's Expenses, *re* Fleet Sewer - - - -		6 6 0
PHINN, T., Q.C.—		
(1-6402) Counsel's Fees—		
Re Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation -	201 1 6	
,, North London Railway - - -	61 8 6	
,, Southwark Bridge Transfer - - -	33 12 0	
,, Wimbledon Common - - -	33 12 0	
,, Metropolitan Toll Bridges - - -	44 12 6	
,, London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (No. 1) -	106 1 0	
,, Edgware, Highgate, and London Railway -	61 8 6	
		541 16 0
GIFFORD, H., Q.C.—		
(1-6403) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - - - -		8 18 0
RAYMOND, J.—		
(1-6404) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - - -		182 4 0
KARSLAKE, J.—		
(1-6405) Counsel's Fees, *re* Metropolitan Railway Company - - -		46 9 6
COOKE, J. AND J. W.—		
(1-6406) Short-hand Notes, October, 1864, to March, 1865 - - -		47 15 4
DIGHTON, D.—		
(1-6407) Bill for Model of Park Lane Improvement - - - -		8 8 0
FISHER, WM., *re* Estate of James Adams, deceased—		
(1-6408) Half Year's Ground Rent of Gas Meter Testing House, Westminster, due Midsummer, 1865 - - - -		22 10 0
CHELSEA WATERWORKS COMPANY—		
(1-6409) Supply of Water at Gas Meter Testing House, Westminster, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -		2 10 0
CHARTERED GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—		
(1-6410) Supply of Gas at Meter Testing-House, Westminster, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -		2 15 4
PHŒNIX GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—		
(1-6411) Supply of Gas at Meter Testing-House, Southwark, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -		12 18 10
BEGGS, T.—		
(1-6412) Bill for Gas Meter for Testing-House, Southwark, June, 1865 - - - - - -		4 14 0
Carried forward - -		£3,521 0 8

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -		3,521 0 8
PONDER, J. AND H.—		
(1-6413) Bill for solder, &c., for Meter Testing-House, Southwark, February, 1865 - - - - - -		2 3 10
CHARRINGTON, SELLS, AND CO.—		
(1-6414) Supply of Coals at Office and Meter-Testing Houses, April and May, 1865 - - - - - -		36 9 0
PHŒNIX GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY.—		
(1-6415) Supply of Gas at Deptford Pumping Station, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - - -		27 19 0
CORY, W., AND SON—		
(1-6416) Bill for Coals and Coke, to June, 1865—		
Deptford Pumping Station - - -	£191 19 6	
Crossness Pumping Station - - -	505 6 9	
		697 6 3
CLERKS OF WORKS, &c.—		
(1-6417) Travelling Expenses to Midsummer, 1865 - -	- -	13 18 9
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—		
(1-6418) July, 1865 - - - - - -	- -	79 19 3
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
Balance of Bills for General Contract Works—		
(1-6419) City Road Sewer - - - -	2,827 10 5	
(1-6420) White Post Lane Sewer - - - -	1,449 5 0	
		4,276 15 5
THIRST, E., Contractor—		
(1-6421) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Lady-day, 1865 - - - -		1,354 8 9
ABBOTT, BARTON, AND CO.—		
(1-6422) Bills for Advertisements, July, 1865—		
Woolwich Sewers - - - -	22 1 0	
Heathwall Sewer - - - -	30 17 2	
		52 18 2
EXPENSES OF SURVEY OF WORKS—		
(1-6423) Hart, J. - - - - -	169 6 0	
(1-6424) Woolwich Steam Packet Company - -	18 0 0	
		187 6 0
		10,250 5 1
Covent Garden Approach.		
WESTMINSTER FIRE OFFICE—		
(2-94) Insurance of 3 Houses in St. Martin's Lane, due 5th August, 1865 - - - - - -		3 12 0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—		
(6-135) June and July, 1865 - - - - - -		10 8 0
Metropolis Main Drainage.		
GREGORY, C. H., C.E.—		
(8-1861) Professional Charges, *re* Northern Outfall Sewer -	78 15 0	
Carried forward -	£78 15 0	£10,264 5 1

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - - -	78 15 0	10,264 5 1
DAY AND SON (LIMITED)—		
(8-1862) Bill for Lithography, Abbey Mills Pumping Station, &c., March to June, 1865 - - -	475 15 8	
Re CHALK AND MURRAY—		
(8-1863) Half Year's Interest on Purchase-money, (less tax), due 20th August, 1865 - - -	23 12 0	
RAYMOND, J.—		
(8-1864) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	51 3 6	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(8-1865) Week ending 26th July, 1865 - - -	106 10 6	
DITTO—		
(8-1866) Amount to meet Payments, during the recess -	700 0 0	
BRASSEY, OGILVIE, AND HARRISON, Contractors—		
(8-1867) Further on account of Contract Works, Northern Middle Level Sewer, (No. 13) - - -	6,500 0 0	
WEBSTER, W., Contractor —		
(8-1868) Further on account of Contract Works, Southern Low Level Sewer, (No. 19) - - -	3,300 0 0	
FURNESS, G., Contractor—		
(8-1869) Final Payment for Contract Works, Northern Outfall Sewer, (No. 12) - - - -	20,001 18 1	
PETTIWARD, R. J.—		
(8-1870) Compensation, *re* Pettiward - - -	1,500 0 0	
		32,737 14 9
Thames Embankment, North.		
HALL, C.—		
(9-603) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	32 19 0	
GREGORY, CHAMPION, AND EADY—		
(9-604) Solicitors' Charges, *re* Bell - - -	3 13 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(9-605) Week ending 26th July, 1865 - - -	29 4 9	
DITTO—		
(9-606) Amount to meet Payments during the recess - -	250 0 0	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—		
(9-607) June and July, 1865 - - - -	42 10 4	
Thames Embankment, South.		
HALL, C.—		
(9-608) Counsel's Fees, *re* Jennings - £93 6 6		
,, ,, Ford - - 8 2 0		
	101 8 6	
DENMAN, HON. G.—		
(9-609) Counsel's Fees, *re* Locket - - -	27 10 0	
New Street to Mansion House.		
HALL, C.—		
(9-610) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	102 4 6	
CASSON, H.—		
(9-611) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	57 0 0	
BLAKE, C.—		
(9-612) Tithe Rent Charge, for Premises, 6, Old Fish Street, due Midsummer, 1865 - - -	3 4 9	
Carried forward - - -	£649 14 10	£43,001 19 10

	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Brought forward - - -	649 14 10	43,001 19 10
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—		
(9-613) For Property taken for the new Street - -	50 8 0	
		700 2 10
TOTAL - - -		£43,702 2 8

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
CHAS HARRIS.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
J. J. TANNER.
WM. NEWTON.

STATEMENT OF APPORTIONMENT OF ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES of the Board to General and Special Accounts, Half-year, to 30th June, 1865, referred to in the foregoing Report.

Account.	Amount.
	£ s. d.
General Account	6,150 16 9
Metropolis Main Drainage	2,672 11 7
Thames Embankment (North)	2,571 14 8
Thames Embankment (South)	1,330 16 1
Blackfriars to Mansion House	2,062 19 3
Southwark and Westminster Communication	866 16 9
Victoria Park Approach	353 0 9
Finsbury Park	425 9 2
	£16,433 15 0

OFFICE—Spring Gardens, S.W.,
July, 1865.

(Signed) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £43,702 2s. 8d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That Cheques, as follows, be drawn in favour of the undermentioned Contractors, and be deposited at the Bank of London, to be handed to them by the Bank during the recess, on Certificates from the Engineer of the Board, to the effect that they have executed the work to the amounts stated, and are entitled to receive the same, viz.—

General Account.

Mr. W. Moxon—			
Falcon Brook Sewer - - - -	£500 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	500 0 0		
Mr. T. Wainwright—			
White Post Lane Sewer - - -	500 0 0		
Messrs. Hill and Keddell—			
Woolwich Sewers - - - -	500 0 0		
Mr. E. Thirst—			
Ranelagh Sewer - - - -	2,000 0 0		
Mr. W. Dethick—			
City Road Sewer - - - -	1,500 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	1,500 0 0		
		£7,000	0 0

Metropolis Main Drainage.

Mr. W. Webster—			
Southern Low Level Sewer - - -	£1,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	1,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	500 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	500 0 0		
Southern Outfall Works - - -	5,400 0 0		
Northern Low Level Sewer - - -	12,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	6,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	6,000 0 0		
Abbey Mills Pumping Station - - -	5,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	5,000 0 0		
Mr. W. Dethick—			
Greenwich and Deptford Sewers - -	1,017 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	1,000 0 0		
Messrs. Slaughter and Co.—			
Deptford Pumping Engines - - -	500 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	250 0 0		
Mr. W. Moxon—			
Western Sewers Extension - - -	200 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	200 0 0		
		45,567	0 0

Thames Embankment, North.

Mr. G. Furness—			
Embankment Contract, No. 1 - -	£10,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	5,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	3,000 0 0		
Messrs. A. W. Ritson and Co.—			
Embankment Contract, No, 2 - -	6,000 0 0		
Ditto - - - - -	6,000 0 0		
		30,000	0 0
		£82,567	0 0

and Cheques were drawn accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Dalton—That the Sum of £100,000 be transferred from the Main Drainage Advances Account to the Main Drainage Current Account (John Thwaites and others), for the purposes of the Main Drainage works, £50,000 to be transferred forthwith, and £50,000 on the 25th of August, instant.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £20,000 be transferred from the General Current to the General Deposit Account of the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Statement submitted with the Report, showing the several sums now due from the Special Accounts of the Board for Establishment Charges, up to the 30th June last, to the General Account, apportioned to such Special Accounts, in accordance with the Order of the Board of the 29th January, 1864, (No. 4), be approved, and that the following sums be transferred from such Accounts to the General Current Account of the Board, accordingly—

Account.	Amount.
Metropolis Main Drainage	£2,672 11 7
Thames Embankment (North)	2,571 4 8
Thames Embankment (South)	1,330 16 1
New street to Mansion House	2,062 19 3
Southwark and Westminster Communication	866 16 9
Victoria Park Approach	353 0 9
Finsbury Park	425 9 2

Resolved—That Cheques for the following amounts be now drawn on the under-mentioned Accounts, and be paid to the credit of the General Account of the Board, in pursuance of the foregoing resolution, viz.—

Metropolis Main Drainage	£2,672 11 7
Thames Embankment, (North)	2,571 4 8
Thames Embankment, (South)	1,330 16 1
New street to Mansion House	2,062 19 3
Southwark and Westminster Communication	866 16 9

And Cheques were drawn accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the application of the Hackney District Board of Works, for permission to borrow the further sum of £5,000 towards the cost of erecting a new Vestry Hall, be approved; and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Hackney District have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction in writing to an intended loan by the said District Board, on the security of rates leviable within the said District, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum of £5,000, for the purpose of defraying the residue of the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the erecting and providing a building and offices for the carrying on the duties and purposes of the said District Board, under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, within the said District, and in providing the necessary furniture and fittings, which it has been made to appear to this Board, upon the Report of their Finance Committee, is desirable. And whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it appears to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said District Board, for the purposes aforesaid:

Therefore it is ordered, that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Hackney District, on the security of rates leviable within the said District, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum not exceeding £5,000, for the purpose of defraying the residue of the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the erection of the said building and offices, and providing the necessary furniture and fittings, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the principal and interest of such loan to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a Copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

5. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have been negotiating with the Bank of England, for the purpose of borrowing money now required by your Honorable Board for various purposes. In the first place, it will be necessary to repay, by instalments, at fixed dates, between this and the 1st September, 1866, the Loan of £400,000, obtained from the Bank of England, in 1858, for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach, and the Southwark and Westminster Communication. The first instalment of £50,000, was repaid on the 1st June last, leaving £350,000 to be provided. Of this sum, your Committee find that another £50,000 can be met out of the Sinking Fund, and the remaining £300,000 will have to be borrowed. They think it will be advisable to borrow this sum for a term of four years, by which time they expect to be able to ascertain, from the sale and letting of the property in Southwark-street, the precise amount which it will be necessary to borrow, for the purpose of spreading the repayment over a term of years.

Your Committee have ascertained that it will be necessary to borrow the following amounts, viz.—

New Street in Whitechapel	£175,000
Middle-row, Holborn	61,000
Southwark Park	80,000
Covering-over Main Sewers	300,000
making a total of	£616,000

This amount your Committee think it desirable should be borrowed, for a term of 30 years, to be repaid within that time, by equal annual instalments.

Your Committee accordingly authorized the Chairman to negotiate with the Bank of England, and any other body, for the purpose of obtaining these Loans. The result is that the Bank of England has conditionally agreed to lend these amounts, at a rate of interest of 4½ per cent., and your Committee are of opinion that no better terms could be obtained elsewhere. The Bank, however, require the Board to fix, beforehand, the dates at which the amounts will be required. Your Committee recommend—

That the sum of £300,000 be borrowed from the Bank of England, for a term of four years, at a rate of interest not exceeding 4½ per cent., the principal to be repaid in one sum at the end of that period.

That the sum of £600,000 be borrowed from the Bank of England, for a term of 30 years, at a rate of interest not exceeding 4½ per cent, one thirtieth part of the principal and interest to be paid-off annually.

That it be referred back to the Committee to take the necessary steps for carrying out the arrangements.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the sum of £300,000 be borrowed from the Bank of England, for a term of four years, at a rate of interest not exceeding 4½ per cent. per annum, the principal to be repaid in one sum at the end of that period.

Resolved—That the sum of £600,000 be borrowed from the Bank of England, for a term of thirty years, at a rate of interest not exeeeding 4½ per cent.per annum, one-thirtieth part of the principal and interest to be paid-off annually.

Resolved—That it be referred back to the Finance Committee, to take the necessary steps for carrying out the arrangements.

6. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Notices of Motion on the paper of business for this day be now considered.

7. It was then moved by Mr. Newton, and seconded by Mr. Collinson—"That advertise-"ments be issued, stating that the Board will be prepared to receive suggestions and "communications in reference to the Utilization of the Sewage of the Metropolis on the "South side, on the 22nd September."

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Doulton, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That a copy of the Tenders which have been received, be sent to each of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

The amendment having been put to the vote, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Pew, J., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Finnis, T.Q., Esq., Ald.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Doulton, M.P.

Against the Amendment—15.	
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Evans, B., Esq.	Miller, T.J., Esq., M.P.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Newton.

And it was lost.

A further amendment was then moved by Mr. Miller, M.P.—"That the further con-"sideration of the Southern Sewage question be deferred, until the Report of the "Committee be laid before the Board."

The **amendment** having been seconded by Mr. Brushfield, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative; and having been put as an **original motion**, was also carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

8. Major Lyon then proceeded to move, pursuant to the notice given by him—"That "it is incumbent on the Board to make provision for the relief of the traffic in Park-lane; "that Parliament be applied to in the next Session for an Act for that purpose, and that "it be referred to the Streets Committee, to consider the details of a scheme for "improving and widening Park-lane."

After discussion, the **motion** was, by leave of the Board, modified as follows—"That it "be referred to the Streets Committee, to consider the best steps which can be taken for "relieving the present over-crowded traffic of Park-lane; and that, in the meantime, the "Architect do prepare a Report thereon, and present the same to the next Meeting of "the Committee."

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Westerton, was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

9. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
2nd August, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them the following Accounts, which they have ascertained to be correct, and they recommend—

That Cheques be drawn for the same—

Thames Embankment (*North*).

Re Roby (Bent's Wharf)—			
Purchase-money (Rev. John Roby's Trustees)	£4,800	0	0
Interest payable to ditto	383	4	9
Solicitor's costs (Messrs. Parker and Co.)	61	10	6
Re Minier, Nash and Nash—			
Compensation-money, payable to Messrs. Daniel Nash and William Nash	4,400	0	0
Solicitors' cost (Messrs. Ford and Lloyd)	5	9	4
Mr. G. Pownall, Surveyor, Professional Charges—			
Lockett's Wharf	52	10	0
Bell's Wharf	21	0	0
Re Sir George Carroll's Trustee—			
Purchase-money (Beaufort Wharf) payable to Messrs. Joseph Maynard and Jonas Hall Pope	250	0	0
Re Davey and Co.—			
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Few and Co.)	9	19	4
Re Steward (Whitehall Wharf)—			
Compensation awarded by Mr. Norton (Mr. Steward and others)	7,618	15	0

Your Committee have also to report, that they have considered the application of Mr. Henry Doulton, for permission to construct, at his own expense, two Subways to connect, with the River Thames, some land held by him in Prince's-street, Lambeth, referred by the Board on the 28th July last, (No. 43). Your Committee have received from your Engineer a Report upon the application, which they beg to submit for the information of

your Honorable Board, and having given the subject their careful attention, they recommend—

That the application be granted, on the conditions set forth in the report of the Engineer.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
J. J. TANNER.

ENGINEER'S REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Engineer's Department.
Spring Gardens,
2nd August, 1865.

On application from Mr. Henry Doulton, requesting permission from the Board to construct two Subways, in connection with the Thames Embankment Works, for the purpose of connecting with the River some land, held by him in Prince's-street, Lambeth.

The Board are already under agreement to construct Subways under the Thames Embankment Roadway, to form a communication from the River to the premises of Mr. Henry Doulton and Mr. James Stiff, which are situate in Lower Fore-street. These Subways are to be constructed at the expense of the Board, and their formation is provided for in the contract recently let to Mr. Webster but the advantages afforded to Messrs. Doulton and Stiff thereby, are to be taken into consideration, as a set-off against the damage suffered by them, in consequence of the Embankment Works.

The present application refers to two other Subways, which Mr. Doulton proposes to construct at his own expense, in front of his land in Prince's-street, which will have a frontage towards the Embankment Roadway, and is situate South of the site of those Subways, already agreed to be constructed.

I see no objection to the construction of such passages under the Roadway, provided that they be executed to the satisfaction of the Board, at the cost of Mr. Doulton, and that he pays all extra expenses arising from their construction, whether to the Works of the Embankment, or to Sewers which may be interfered with thereby, and on condition that the value of such accommodation be further considered, in connection with any payments for compensation to be made to him by the Board.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

To the
Thames Embankment Committee.

The Report of the Committee having been read and received,
Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the following Cheques be drawn—

Thames Embankment, North.

Re Roby (Bent's Wharf)—			
Purchase-money (Rev. John Roby's Trustees) .	£4,800	0	0
Interest payable to do. . . .	383	4	9
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Parker and Co.) . .	61	10	6
Re Minier, Nash and Nash—			
Compensation-money, payable to Messrs. Daniel Nash and Wm. Nash.	4,400	0	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Ford and Lloyd) . .	5	9	4

Mr. G. Pownall, Surveyor—Professional charges—			
Lockett's Wharf	£52	10	0
Bell's Wharf	21	0	0
Re Sir Geo. Carroll's Trustee—			
Purchase-money (Beaufort Wharf), payable to Messrs. Joseph Maynard and Jonas Hall Pope . . .	250	0	0
Re Davey and Co.—			
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Few and Co.) . . .	9	19	4
Re Steward (Whitehall Wharf)—			
Compensation awarded by Mr. Norton (Mr. Steward and others)	7,618	15	0

Cheques for the above amounts were accordingly drawn on the Thames Embankment (North) Account.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Henry Doulton, for permission to construct Subways under the Southern Embankment, be granted, on condition that the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the Board, at the cost of Mr. Doulton, and that he do pay all extra expenses arising therefrom, whether arising in connection with the Works of the Embankment, or to Sewers which may be interfered with thereby, and that the value of such accommodation be further considered, in connection with any payments for compensation to be made to him by the Board.

10. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
2nd August, 1865.

In the exercise of the authority given to them, by the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), your Committee have to report that they have drawn Cheques for the following amounts, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Lingham, (No. 5, Old Fish-street), Purchase-money, (payable to Rev. J. F. Lingham) - - -	£2,300	0	0
Interest, (payable to ditto) - - - -	16	0	4
Purchase-money, (payable to Mr. E. W. Wyon) - -	600	0	0
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. H. E. Marsh) - - -	28	0	0
Solicitor's Costs, (Mr. W. B. Tarrant) - - -	17	7	8
Ditto, (Messrs. Hensman and Nicholson) - -	17	10	0
Re Soames, Interest on Purchase-money, (H. A. Soames, Jun.)	42	2	9
Re Clay, (No. 5½, Old Fish-street), Purchase-money, (payable to Mr. Richard Clay) - - -	3,000	0	0
Surveyor's Costs, (Mr. Henry Dawson) - - -	28	0	0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Lawrance, Plews, and Boyer) -	16	18	6

Re Bridge, (26, Bread-street, and 1, Huggin-lane), Purchase-money, (payable to Mr. J. S. Bridge) -	£2,725	0	0
Interest, (payable to ditto) - - - -	15	1	0
Re De St. Croix, (No. 14, Peter's Hill), Purchase-money, (payable to the Rev. William De St. Croix) - -	1,445	0	0
Interest, (payable to ditto) - - - -	7	19	8
Purchase-money, (payable to Mr. W. A. Robinson) -	500	0	0
Interest - - - - - -	12	5	10
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. George B. Williams) - -	23	0	0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Holmer, Robinson, and Stoneham) - - - - - -	40	0	0
Re Mc Adam, (Nos. 44 and 45, Watling-street), Purchase-money, one moiety to be paid into Court - -	2,500	0	0
Ditto, other moiety, payable to Mr. J. J. L. Mc Adam -	2,500	0	0
Mr. John Shaw, Surveyor, Professional Charges—			
No. 4, Pancras-lane - - - -	75	0	0
No. 52, Watling-street - - - -	22	0	0
Nos. 8 and 9 Size-lane - - - -	30	0	0
Mr. F. Marrable, Surveyor, Professional Charges—			
No. 8, Wardrobe-terrace - - - -	8	1	0
No. 7, Addle-hill - - - - -	10	1	0
No. 9, Wardrobe-terrace - - - -	8	8	0
Mr. G. Pownall, Surveyor, Professional Charges—			
College of Advocates - - - -	105	0	0
Messrs. Webb, Addle-hill - - - -	26	5	0

Your Committee have also had before them the following Accounts, which they have ascertained from your Superintending Architect to be correct, and they recommend—

That Cheques be drawn for the same—

Piccadilly and Park-lane Improvement.

Professional Charges—Mr. Shaw - - - -	£52	10	0
,, Mr. Marrable - - -	66	3	0
,, Mr. Pownall - - - -	105	0	0

Finsbury Park.

Professional Charges—Messrs. Farebrother, Clarke, and Co. -	£52	10	0

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. R. Paget, Clerk to the Vestry of Clerkenwell, applying for the sanction of the Board to proposed Improvements in Turnmill-street, by widening and re-paving the same at altered levels, referred to them on the 28th April last, (No. 17). Your Committee have received from your Engineer a Report, stating that the estimate of £2,500, is fair and reasonable, and that the proposed Improvement is one which the Board may fairly sanction. They accordingly recommend—

That the sanction of your Honorable Board be given to the same.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial from the Vestry of Kensington, praying your Honorable Board to adopt measures for widening

and improving High-street, Kensington, at the expense of the Metropolis generally. The grounds upon which the Memorialists make the application are, that the High-street of Kensington has now become the main Western line of thoroughfare into London, and that being only 40 feet in width at its widest part, and 31 feet at its narrowest, it is totally inadequate to the public requirements. It is further stated that severe, and often-times fatal, accidents occur, and that serious blocks to the traffic are almost constantly taking place. Your Committee have given this important question careful consideration, and they feel strongly that these evils should be remedied. Your Committee have obtained from your Superintending Architect a Plan for effecting the Improvement, and an Estimate of the value of the property required to be taken, and after deducting the amount to be received from the sale of surplus ground, they find the net cost is estimated to be £77,565. This Plan and Estimate your Committee now beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board, and having regard to the great benefit which would accrue to the Metropolis from the proposed Improvement, they are unanimously of opinion that it is one which ought to be carried out by your Honorable Board, and they accordingly recommend—

That the Plans and Estimates for carrying out the proposed Improvement in High-street, Kensington, be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps for preparing a Bill, with a view to its introduction in the next Session of Parliament.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
W. H. DALTON.

Superintending Architect's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
2nd August, 1865.

STREETS COMMITTEE.

HIGH STREET, KENSINGTON, IMPROVEMENT.

I beg to state that, in obedience to Instructions, I have surveyed the property comprising Nos. 34 to 58 inclusive, High-street; sundry houses and shops, King-street; houses and gardens in Market-court; and seven houses, Nos. 15 to 21, Young-street, with the Coach Factory and Stabling adjoining, the whole of which are delineated on the Plan accompanying herewith, and which will be required to effect the Improvement referred to, in the Memorial presented by the Vestry of Kensington.

It is proposed to set back the houses, from the existing line of frontage to the line shown upon the Plan.

The inconvenience to the street traffic, and the source of danger at this part of the High-street, Kensington, are patent to all, and that such danger and inconvenience will be greatly increased, on the opening of the Metropolitan Railway, whose station is a little lower down in the street (marked in blue color), may, I think, be confidently predicted.

The necessity of the alteration has been increasing for years; but, in the meantime, property has been gradually rising in value, and if it be determined that this Improvement shall be carried out, the present opportunity should not be passed, as the vicinity of the Railway-station will double, within a very limited period, the value of the property to be taken.

I estimate the gross value of the property to be taken at £137,940, and the net amount, after sale of surplus ground, at £77,565.

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the following Cheques be drawn—

Piccadilly and Park Lane Improvement.

Professional Charges—			
Mr. Shaw - - - - - - - - -	£52	10	0
Mr. Marrable - - - - - - - - -	66	3	0
Mr. Pownall - - - - - - - - -	105	0	0

Finsbury Park.

Professional Charges—			
Messrs. Farebrother, Clarke and Co. - -	52	10	0

Cheques for the above amounts were accordingly drawn on the General Account of the Board and the Finsbury Park Account, respectively.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the application of the Vestry of Clerkenwell, for the sanction of the Board to the proposed improvements in Turnmill-street, be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the Plans and Estimates for carrying out the proposed improvement in High-street, Kensington, now submitted, be approved; and that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps for preparing a Bill, with a view to its introduction in the next Session of Parliament.

11. Mr. Lammin brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
31st July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of your Honourable Board of the 28th instant (No. 16), they have considered the subject of the Improvement to be effected by widening the thoroughfare at the east end of Carey-street, Chancery-lane. Several houses have lately been pulled down at the point referred to, and the Strand District Board think the opportunity which is now presented, of widening this thoroughfare, by adding thereto the plot of ground on which these houses lately stood, should not be lost. The thoroughfare is at present inconveniently narrow for the traffic which passes through it, and when it is remembered that this traffic will be very largely increased by the erection of the proposed new Law Courts in this locality, the desirability of taking advantage of the opportunity which is now offered, of increasing the width of this part of the street opening into Chancery-lane, will be apparent. The Strand District Board are desirous of purchasing the vacant plot of ground; this has a frontage of about 146 feet to Carey-street, 17 feet 6 inches to Chancery-lane, and 19 feet to Bell-yard, and an area of about 2,660 square feet. The price which will have to be paid for the freehold is £15,000. Towards this amount, your Committee have ascertained that certain public bodies, interested in the locality, will probably contribute about £7,000, leaving £8,000 to be provided. Your Committee are of opinion that the improvement proposed is one of great importance, and that it will confer considerable benefit on the public at large, and that therefore a substantial contribution to the cost should be made by your Honorable Board. They accordingly recommend—

That the Board do contribute the sum of £4,000 towards the cost of the Improvement, estimated at £15,000, to be effected by the Strand District Board of Works, by widening the South side of Carey-street, Chancery-lane, at the Eastern End, and that such contribution be paid to the Strand District Board of Works, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. H. LAMMIN.
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The report having been read and received,
Mr. Phillips handed in a letter, which was read, as follows—

The Board of Works for the Strand District.
5, Tavistock-street, Covent-garden, W.C.
3rd August, 1865.

Dear Sir,

Seeing in your Agenda for to-morrow, that it is proposed by the Report of the Committee to contribute £4,000 only to the proposed widening of Carey-street, and feeling assured that if the Metropolitan Board of Works do not contribute, at the very least, a sum of £5,000 thereto, the whole matter will fail, because my Board cannot, and will not, bear the whole of the amount that will be left to be provided, I am most desirous to explain to your Board the present position and future prospects of the scheme, before the vote is taken, and for that purpose I will be in attendance at the sitting of the Board to-morrow, awaiting their pleasure, but as I am pressed for an immediate answer by the Freeholders of the site, it is highly important that a definitive resolution be now obtained.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JAMES H. F. LEWIS,
Clerk to the Board.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was **moved** by Mr. Lammin, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Report of the Committee be adopted.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Brushfield—That the amount to be contributed by the Board, towards the proposed improvement, be £5,000.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was carried; and having been put as an **original motion** was also carried, and it was

Resolved—That the Board do contribute the sum of £5,000 towards the cost of an improvement, estimated at £15,000, to be effected by the Strand District Board of Works, by widening the South side of Carey-street, Chancery-lane, at the Eastern end; and that such contribution be paid to the Strand District Board of Works, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

12. Mr. Le Breton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
25th July, 1865.

Your Committee have to report, for the information of your Honorable Board, that, in obedience to your Resolution of the 10th October, 1862, (No. 6), they have unanimously

appointed Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq., as their Deputy Chairman, for the purpose of bringing up their Reports to the Board, and of presiding at their meetings in the absence of the Chairman of the Board.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 21st instant, (No. 46), they have considered the application of Mr. George Bassett, for a re-consideration of his Plan for the formation of new streets at Kentish Town. On the 30th June last, your Honorable Board objected to the width of the street designated Carlton-cottages. Your Committee have again carefully considered this case, and having conferred with your Superintending Architect thereon, recommend—

> That the houses proposed to be built by Mr. Bassett, at the corner of Carlton-cottages and Queen's-road, and at the corner of Weedington-road and Queen's-road, be required to be kept to the line of the houses in Weedington-road, and that, in the event of a road being formed on the Northern side of Hanover-street, at the point marked A on the Plan, it be made 40 feet wide.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Joseph Dunning, for the consent of the Board to the line of frontage of houses in the Lambeth-road, referred to them on the 21st April last, (No. 52). It is proposed to take down certain old houses on the site, and to build a new terrace, 10 feet in advance of the present line, but 13 feet back from the public way. The entrance to Morden-street, leading out of the Lambeth-road, will be widened by giving up a strip of ground, and your Committee, having conferred with your Superintending Architect on the subject, do not see any objection to the plan, and they recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed houses do not project more than five feet beyond the existing houses in Lambeth-terrace, and that the angular piece of ground at the corner of Morden-street, as shown on the Plan submitted, be given up to the public way.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. Cox, requesting the Board to abandon all further proceedings against him, respecting the erection of fence-walls to his property in Hob-lane and World's End-passage, referred by your Honorable Board on the 26th May last, (No. 18), and also a letter from Mr. Lahee, Vestry Clerk, Chelsea, with copy of a Resolution of the Vestry, suggesting that no further proceedings should be taken in the matter. The Magistrate, before whom these proceedings were taken against Mr. Cox, having decided that he was not liable to any penalty, a Case was obtained by your Honorable Board for the opinion of the Court of Common Pleas. That Court has now confirmed the decision of the Magistrate; and, having regard to all the circumstances, your Committee recommend—

> That no further proceedings be taken against Mr. Cox, in the matter.

Your Committee have also, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 12th May last, (No, 72), considered the letter of Mr. J. H. Stevens, Surveyor of the District of Bethnal-green, relative to the use of certain premises in Old Bethnal Green-road, by Mr. Stokes, for the manufacture of Lucifer-matches, contrary to the provisions of the Building Act, 1844, and requesting the instructions of the Board as to enforcing the law. Your Committee have given careful attention to this subject, and, having conferred with your Solicitor thereon, are of opinion that the best course for your

Honorable Board to pursue, is to communicate the facts to the Vestry, who may probably be disposed to take up the case: they think, moreover, that the attention of the Home Secretary should be directed to the state of the law, as regards the carrying on of dangerous businesses, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have also, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 16th June last, (No. 25), considered the application of Mr. S. Watkinson, on behalf of Messrs. Langton and Sons, and Mr. Baughan, for the consent of the Board to the erection of six houses on the North side of the Upper Richmond-road, Putney. It is proposed to bring the frontage of these six houses to a line, 12 feet back from the fence next the footpath, similar to a frontage sanctioned in June, last year, on the land Westward of Tarling's-lane, and to widen the Upper Richmond-road to 40 feet, by adding thereto a slip of land taken out of the Lime Grove Estate, opposite the site. Your Committee have also considered the letter from Mr. Corsellis, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, calling attention to the expiration of the time allowed to Mr. Jessel, the owner of the adjoining land, Westward, to carry out the buildings proposed to be erected by him. Your Committee have ascertained that the adjoining owner and occupiers strongly object to the bringing out of the frontage of these houses, as proposed, and having carefully considered the subject, recommend—

> That the application of Mr. S. Watkinson, on behalf of Messrs. Langton and Sons, and Mr. Baughan, be not granted; and that notice be served on Mr. Jessel, the owner of the adjoining land Westward, to the effect that, not having commenced the erection of the buildings within the time specified in the Order of the Board, he must now obtain further permission before commencing his works.

Your Committee have further to report that, in compliance with your resolution of the 16th June last, (No. 34), they have considered the application of Mr. John Dean, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two cottages on the West side of Ford-street, Old Ford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It is proposed to set the cottages five feet back from the public way, and the same distance back from a line of frontage, extending Northwards to the end of the street; but in the other direction they will abut close upon a house which stands twelve feet back, and will consequently be seven feet in advance thereof. Your Committee have conferred with your Superintending Architect on the subject, and have ascertained from him that the whole frontage of the street is irregular. Your Committee see no objection to the proposed erection, and they accordingly recommend—

> That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 31), they have considered the application of Mr. W. Gray, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the North side of Clapham-rise, near the new road leading to the Clapham Station. The applicant proposes to set the new houses six feet back from the public way, and to give up the ground in front for the use of the public. Two proposals to build on this land have been already rejected, on account of the interference with the frontage of Bowyer-terrace and the adjacent houses Westward, which are built considerably back from the

public way. Eastward of the station, the pier of the Railway-bridge has been erected to the line of forecourts, and beyond it is a row of houses and shops, built up to the public way, and Westward, as High-street is approached, shops and houses stand also up to the public way. Your Committee, however, having carefully considered this application, and having conferred with your Superintending Architect thereon, are of opinion that any advance of the frontage in this locality should not be sanctioned, and as the District Board concur in the opinion expressed by your Committee, they recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also, pursuant to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 43), considered the Report by your Superintending Architect with reference to the Resolution of the Board of the 23rd June, (No. 11), directing that the necessary steps should be taken for compelling the owner of the premises at the corner of Grafton-street and Grafton-road, Kentish Town, to remove the cellar-flap constructed in front of such premises, contrary to the Order of the Board of the 17th October, 1862, (No. 3). It appears from the Report in question, that the owner of the premises has set back the building to the line of frontage in Grafton-road, which was fixed by the Board in October, 1862, and that a cellar-flap has hitherto been considered as a projection within the cognizance of the Vestry, under Section 119 of the Act of 1855, and the 81st Section of the Paving Act of 1817, and not a building, structure, or erection, within the meaning of the 75th Section, under which the consent of the Board was given. Under the circumstances, your Committee are of opinion that the Order of the Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 11), should not be acted upon, and they recommend accordingly.

Your Committee have further to report that, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 52), they have considered the application of Mr. Josiah Houle, for the approval by the Board of new streets on land adjacent to the North Kent Railway Station, at Blackheath. The proposed street on the Northern side of the land is proposed to be made of the width of 40 feet, that on the Southern side 30 feet, and a junction between the two streets, 40 feet in parts, diminishing to 30 feet; it is also proposed to make a paved passage, 20 feet wide, in parts, diminishing to about 12 feet. Your Committee have carefully considered the Plan of the proposed streets, and having conferred with your Superintending Architect on the subject, are of opinion that the proposed widths of the streets are objectionable; they therefore recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also to report, that they have, in accordance with your Resolution of the 7th instant, (No. 1), considered the application of Messrs. Ware and Joule, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops on the Southern side of the New Road, Shepherd's-bush. It is proposed to set the frontage back about 10 feet from the boundary next the public way, except at the Western end, where it would be from 12 to 15 feet back. In July, last year, the question of frontage in this locality was decided by the Board, viz., that the whole of the shops should be kept 10 feet back from the public-way, and that the fronts above such shops, should be kept to the established line of buildings, Westward. Your Committee, after careful consideration, see no reason why that decision should be disturbed, and they accordingly recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have further to report that, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 7th instant, (No. 6), they have considered the application of Mr. W. B. Hayes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Parochial School, in Park-grove, Battersea-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It appears that a clear space of 10 feet will be kept between the school and the houses adjoining, and that the height of the front wall of the school will be only 11 feet. The Local Board consider that consent ought not to be granted, inasmuch as the building would project beyond the general line, but, having regard to the class of buildings standing right and left of the site, and the character of the locality, your Committee see no objection to the position, and recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of your Resolution of the 7th instant, (No. 19,) considered the application of Mr. A. C. Dryden, on behalf of the Boys' National School, at Putney, for a modification of the Resolution of the Board, of the 7th April, last, (No. 39), approving of the erection of an addition to the school, on condition that the lane on the North side thereof were widened throughout the length of the premises, by setting off 20 feet from the centre of the lane, Southward. The applicants propose to give up a width of 6 feet 8 inches along the whole extent of their frontage, (150 feet), thus widening the roadway to a present width of 20 feet 5 inches; they further request to be allowed compensation for whatever ground is taken, on the principle that the Schools are as much for the benefit of the public as the highway, and that the one ought not to be improved at the expense of the other. Your Committee, however, after mature consideration, see no reason to recommend the Board to depart from the Resolution already arrived at on the subject, and they therefore recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered the Report of your Superintending Architect, on the Fire which occured at the warehouses of Mr. Moses and Mr. Meyers, in Southwark-street, on the night of the 4th ultimo. It appears from the investigation made by your Superintending Architect, that the District Surveyor in no way failed in his duty, with regard to the construction of the building, but your Committee consider it desirable that in any amendment of the Building Act, some provision should be made as to the use of materials for erections on roofs.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. Alfred Williams, to be allowed to alter the address of his house, now known as 15, Neville-terrace, to 17, Onslow-gardens, referred to them on 12th May last, (No. 63). It appears that the Vestry of Kensington approve of the alteration, and as it will tend to the regularity of the numbering of the houses, and conduce to the convenience of the residents of the neighbourhood, your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have proceeded further on the application of the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East for the re-naming and re-numbering of certain streets in the Parish, referred by your Honorable Board on 16th December last, (No. 71). Your Committee have had

before them a plan showing the irregular numbering of the houses in Dean-street and Cross-street, which the Vestry propose should be numbered continuously, and named Dean-street throughout; and they recommend—

That the several houses and premises in Dean-street and Cross-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-street.

Your Committee have to report that they have again considered the subject of the application of Mr. George Hume, for the re-numbering of the houses in Milton-street, Dorset-square, referred to them by the Special Board, held on the 30th June last, (No. 2), for re-consideration. On the 23rd June last your Committee reported on the case, and your Honorable Board passed an Order for the re-numbering of the street. In consequence, however, of the Plan of re-numbering then ordered, not meeting the views of the Vestry of Marylebone, the Order was rescinded at the Special Board, held on the 30th June. Your Committee have now ascertained the views of the Vestry on the case, and they recommend—

That the several houses and premises in Milton-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, be re-numbered, as shewn on the amended Plan, now submitted, and marked Q.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the reference of your Honorable Board of 19th May last (No. 71), as to the desirability of re-numbering the houses in Bridport-place, Hoxton; and having inspected a Plan of the thoroughfare in question, they are of opinion that an alteration in the numbering of the houses is much needed; they therefore recommend—

That the several houses and premises in Bridport-place, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

In pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of 24th February last (No. 48), your Committee have considered the application of Mr. J. L. Jones for the re-numbering of the houses in Harleyford-road, Lambeth; your Committee have inspected a Plan of the locality, prepared by the Superintending Architect, and they consider that an alteration is necessary, they therefore recommend—

That the several houses and premises in Harleyford-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, be re-numbered; that the subsidiary names and the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Harleyford-road.

Your Committee have also proceeded on the reference by your Honorable Board of 5th February, 1864, (No. 47), as to re-numbering the houses in Cleveland-gardens, Paddington, which they find to be necessary, and they recommend—

That the present numbers be abolished, and the houses re-numbered.

Your Committee have also, agreeably to the Resolution of the Board of 22nd instant (No. 80), considered the application of Captain Lambert for a re-arrangement of the numbers of the houses in Prince's-square, Bayswater. The present numbering causes much inconvenience, and your Committee consider that a more regular plan should be adopted; they therefore recommend—

That the houses therein be re-numbered.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of the Board of Works for the Fulham District, for the re-naming and re-numbering of the Fulham-road, and several other thoroughfares in the District, referred by the Board on the 22nd instant, and they recommend—

That the houses and premises in High-street, Fulham, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers be abolished.

That the houses and premises in Church-row, Fulham, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the Fulham District Board be informed that this Board do not deem it necessary that any steps should be taken with regard to the re-numbering of the houses in Church-row, Fulham, the present numbers being regular throughout.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. J. Pearce, for the abolition of the subsidiary names, and for the re-numbering of the houses in Queen's-road, Bayswater, referred by the Board on 4th November last, (No. 51). It appears that the Vestry of Paddington consider the re-numbering of the houses desirable, but they strongly deprecate any alteration in the name of the thoroughfare. Your Committee accordingly, concurring in the views of the Vestry, recommend—

That the houses and premises in Queen's-road, Paddington, be re-numbered, and that the subsidiary names and existing numbers be abolished.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the irregular numbering of the houses in that portion of the Portland-road which is in the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, not dealt with in the Order of the Board of 17th February last, and they consider that an alteration is necessary, and that it would also be advisable to alter the name; they therefore recommend—

That the several houses and premises in that portion of the Portland-road which is situated within the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, be re-numbered, that the subsidiary names and existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called St. John's-place.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. LONG.
SILAS TAYLOR.

The report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the houses proposed to be built by Mr. Bassett, at the corner of Carlton-cottages and Queen's-road, and at the corner of Weedington-road and Queen's-road, Kentish Town, be required to be kept to the line of the houses in Weedington-road, and that, in the event of a road being formed on the Northern side of Hanover-street, at the point marked A on the Plan, it be required to be made 40 feet wide.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Joseph Dunning, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses in the Lambeth-road, on an advanced line of frontage, be granted, on condition that they do not project more than five feet beyond the existing houses in

Lambeth-terrace, and that the angular piece of ground at the corner of Morden-street, as shown on the Plan submitted, be given up to the public way.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That no further procedings be taken against Mr. Cox, with reference to the erection by him of fence-walls to his property in Hob-lane and World's End Passage, Chelsea.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Solicitor be instructed to communicate with the Vestry of Bethnal Green, directing their attention to certain premises in Old Bethnal Green-road, being used by Mr. Stokes, for the manufacture of Lucifer Matches; and that a communication be addressed to the Secretary of State for the Home Department, calling his attention to the state of the law with regard to dangerous businesses.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. S. Watkinson, on behalf of Messrs. Langton and Sons, and Mr. Baughan, for the consent of the Board to the erection of six houses, in Upper Richmond-road, Putney, Eastward of Tarling's-lane, be not granted, and that notice be served on Mr. Jessel, the owner of the adjoining land Westward, to the effect that, not having commenced the erection of the buildings within the time specified in the Order of the Board of the 24th June, 1864, (No. 5), he must now obtain further permission before commencing his work.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. John Dean, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two cottages on the Western side of Ford-street North, Old Ford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. W. Gray, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses on the North side of High-street, Clapham, near the entrance to the Clapham Railway-station, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the cellar-flap constructed in front of the "Falcon" public-house, at the corner of Grafton-street and Grafton-road, Kentish Town, be approved; that the resolution of the Board of the 23rd June last, (No. 11), be not acted upon, and that the Vestry of St. Pancras be informed that, the case is one to be dealt with by the Vestry.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Josiah Houle, on behalf of Messrs. Green and Stansby, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of new streets, on land adjacent to the Railway Station at Blackheath, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Messrs. Ware and Joule, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops, on the Southern side of the New-road, Shepherd's-bush, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. W. B. Hayes, for the consent of the Board to

the erection of a Parochial School in Park-grove, Battersea-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. A. C. Dryden, on behalf of the Boys' National School, at Putney, for a modification of the Resolution of the Board of the 7th April last, (No. 39), approving of the erection of an addition to the School, on condition that the lane on the North side thereof be widened throughout the length of the premises, by setting off 20 feet from the centre of the lane, Southward, be not granted.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the recent Fire in Southwark-street, be approved; and that it be referred back to the Committee to consider as to whether, in any amendment of the Building Act, some provision should not be made as to the use of materials for erections on roofs.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the house now known and numbered as 15, Neville-terrace, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be numbered and known as 17, Onslow-gardens, and that notice be given to the Vestry of Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Dean-street and Cross-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **A**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 60, to those on the West side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Cross-street, and any other name or names now in use in Dean-street and Cross-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That,

for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Milton-street, in the Parish of St. Marylebone, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **Q**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 93, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 116, to those on the West side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Milton-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Marylebone, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Bridport-place, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **B**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 147, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 130, to those on the East side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Bridport-place, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Harleyford-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Lambeth, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **C**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 63, being assigned to the houses on the North-East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 94, to those on the South-West side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Bridge-street; that the names Dorling-place, Mann-terrace, Slaney-place, Darlington-place, Grosvenor-terrace, Pulboro'-place, Clun-terrace, The Parade, and any other name or names now in use in Harleyford-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Harleyford-road, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Lambeth, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Cleveland-gardens, in the Parish of St. Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **D**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; commencing with 1 and ending with 29; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in Prince's-square, in the Parish of St. Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **E**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; commencing with 21 and ending with 76; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of High-street, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **F**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 67, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers commencing with 2 and ending with 112, to those on the West side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called High-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Church-row, in the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **G**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 9, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 30, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Church-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Fulham District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Board of Works for the Fulham District be informed that, in the opinion of this Board, the houses in Church-row, Fulham, do not require re-numbering, the present numbers being perfectly regular throughout.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Queen's-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Paddington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures, on the Plan now produced, marked **H**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 171, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 204, to those on the East side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Royal-hill, Rifle-terrace, Alfred-terrace, Queen's-terrace, Grove-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Queen's-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Queen's-road, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Paddington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, of the 25th day of July, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in that portion of the Portland-road, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, not included in the Order of the Board of the 17th February, 1865, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **I**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 11, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 12, to those on the West side;

that such numbers do commence at the North end; that the names Portland-road, Portland-terrace, and the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called St. John's-place, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

13. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
1st August, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 30th June last, (No. 3), authorizing them to take Counsel's Opinion on the claim of the Land and House Investment Society for £85, as compensation for loss sustained by them, by reason of the Officers of the Board not having pointed out the correct position of the Middle Level Sewer, when the Plan of the Local Sewers was submitted for approval. Your Committee accordingly instructed the Solicitor to lay the facts before Mr. Raymond, for his Opinion, and that gentleman has advised, that the Board would not be justified in paying the claim of the Society out of the Public Rates. Your Committee beg to submit the Opinion referred to, from which it will be seen that Mr. Raymond is of opinion that it was the duty of the Society to take care that a proper Plan was prepared, and that their knowledge of the nature and situation of the ground, upon which they proposed to build, ought to have been more accurate than that either of the Kensington Vestry, or of this Board. He holds, that the duty of the Board consists in seeing that the provisions of the Act, as to making and branching Sewers, are complied with, and that it is not their duty to correct faulty plans in the interest of the builder.

Your Committee have further to report that they have, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honourable Board of the 2nd June last, (No. 22), considered the subject of the delay which has occurred in the progress of the Western Sewers Extension Works. Your Committee have made very full enquiry into the circumstances connected with the case, with the view of ascertaining the causes which have led to the delay, and they have now to state the result of their investigation. It appears that Mr. Moxon at first contracted for the works, under a schedule of prices, but it was soon after found that the schedule of prices did not apply to the particular works which had to be executed, and it was then determined that they should be executed as day-work. Since that time the work has been practically in the hands of the Officers of the Board, and the Contractor has not considered himself responsible. Much time has been consumed, owing to the peculiar nature and difficulty of the works, and more especially, to the large bodies of water met with in the progress of the work, and of late, to the tunnelling under the canal, which, with a proper regard to the safety of the men, could only be worked at one face; and although it appears that complaints have been made of the want of a proper supply of materials, and of a small engine, which broke down, your Committee, having regard to all the circumstances, are not prepared to say that the delay which has ensued is wholly to be attributed to the Contractor. They are glad to be able to report that, the Engineer states the works are now virtually completed, and that instructions have been given for removing the head-walls in the sewer, in order to permit the constant

flow of sewage to the pumps, and thus relieve the Western district of the sewage which has been penned up so long in the Sewers.

Your Committee have also to report that they have, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 28th July last, (No. 30), considered the letter from the Marquis of Hartington, Under-Secretary of State for War, calling attention to the nuisance experienced at the Royal Arsenal, from certain offensive Manufactories below Woolwich, and also complaining of the Sewage of Plumstead being allowed to flow through open ditches in the Marshes, in some places across the line of the Southern Outfall Sewer. As regards the first point, viz., the nuisance arising from offensive manufactories—your Committee have advised with Counsel, and your Solicitor has presented a Report, which is hereto annexed. Your Committee have most carefully considered the whole subject, and looking to the general principle involved, of taking up public prosecutions at a serious expense, which probably should devolve on other bodies than one constituted for the purposes of your Honorable Board, and looking to the locality of these nuisances, it appears to your Committee that it does not rest with your Honorable Board to move in the matter. A copy of the joint report of your Engineer and Dr. Letheby has been sent to the Marquis of Hartington, and your Committee now recommend—

> That a communication be addressed to his Lordship, to the effect that the Board entertain no doubt as to the great nuisance which arises from the offensive manufactories below Woolwich, but that this Board conceives that the task of prosecuting offenders should be undertaken by Her Majesty's Government, or at all events, not by this Board; but that this Board will supply any imformation, or assistance in their power.

With respect to that part of the letter which refers to the Sewage of Plumstead being allowed to flow through the open ditches in the Marshes, your Committee recommend—

> That the Engineer be instructed to examine and report thereon; that the Marquis of Hartington be so informed, and that when the Report has been made, the particulars thereof will be communicated to him.

Your Committee have also considered the application of the Imperial Gas Light Company, for the consent of the Board to their building over a portion of the Western Extension Sewer, at Sand's End, Fulham, referred by your Honourable Board, on 30th June last, (No. 7). The Company propose to construct a retort-house over the sewer for a length of about 120 feet, and to turn an arch over the latter for its protection, the arch being covered, and the side-walls backed up with concrete; the brick footings of the retort-house will be about 13 feet above the top of the sewer. Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer on the subject, and they recommend—

> That the application be granted, on condition that the space within the proposed arch be left in its present solid condition; that the works be carried out under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and that the Company do enter into the usual agreement for the preservation of the Board's rights in connection with the sewer.

Your Committee have further to report that they have, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honourable Board of the 28th July last (No. 27), considered the letter from Mr. J. Henchman, Secretary to the Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway Company, suggesting certain modifications in the plan proposed by the Board, for the re-construction by the Company of

the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, and other Works, and towards which your Honourable Board undertook, on the works being carried out to your satisfaction, to contribute the sum of £7,000. Your Committee have given very careful attention to the Company's proposal, and to the advice embodied in the Engineer's Report, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, subject to the conditions set forth in the report.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
SILAS TAYLOR.

OPINION OF MR. RAYMOND, REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

I am of opinion that the Land Society cannot, under the circumstances, claim the £85, or any part of it, against the Metropolitan Board, and I do not think that the Board would be justified in paying the demand of the Land Society, out of the Public Rates.

It appears, that the Land Society, in October, 1864, submitted to the Board, for their approval, certain plans and sections of sewers, proposed to be built in roads communicating with Portobello-road. These plans did not show the site of the Middle Level Sewer, and in that respect were defective. This defect having been discovered, a fresh plan and section, shewing the site of the Middle Level Sewer was, on the 22nd December, 1864, submitted to the Board for their approval. That plan was approved of by the Board upon certain conditions. In consequence of the defect in the first, or original plan, the Land Society were put to extra expense of upwards of £70, and they now seek to charge the Metropolitan Board with this extra expense.

I can see no ground of law, or equity, upon which the liability of the Board can be placed.

It was the duty of the Land Society to take care that a proper plan was prepared. They were, or ought to have been, as well aquainted with the nature and situation of the ground upon which they were building, as either the Vestry, or the Metropolitan Board. Indeed, their knowledge ought to have been more accurate on this matter than that of the Vestry or Board. And the omission in the plan prepared by them, of the site of the Middle Level Sewer, might well mislead the Officers of the Board and Vestry. But it is said, that it was the duty of the Board to point out the defect in the plan of the Society, and their not having done so renders them liable to the extra expense, caused to the Society, by the defect in their plan. I am not aware of any such duty. I think the duty of the Board is, to see that the provisions of the Acts as to making and branching sewers are complied with. It is not their duty to prepare the plans, or to correct them, in the interest of the Builder. If they saw any defect in any plan to the prejudice of the Public, it might be their duty to correct it, but they are not bound to correct blunders, or mistakes of persons, by which the plans laid before them are prepared.

The case of the Society is shortly this. We have prepared and submitted to you, the Board, a defective plan. You have not corrected it. Therefore, you must make good the loss we have incurred through the defect.

If the principle, upon which this charge is made, were admitted, the liability of the Board would be indefinite. They would be bound to make good any loss or damage which any person might sustain, from his own ignorance, blunders, or mistakes, if the defects were such as the Board, if its attention had been drawn to them, could have corrected. As regards the moral merits, it appears that at the time the first plan was submitted, the actual position of the Middle Level Sewer was not present to the minds of the Officers of the Board. I do not know that they are bound to remember the exact position of every sewer under the Board's jurisdiction. There was no wilful concealment, or suppression of information by the Board's Officers. If they were guilty, it was of forgetfulness, or ignorance, of which the person who prepared the Society's first plan, was also guilty. But this mutual

forgetfulness, or ignorance, affords no ground for transferring from the Society to the Board the liability to bear the loss, caused by the forgetfulness or ignorance, of the Society's Officer.

(Signed) JOHN RAYMOND,
Temple, 21st July, 1865.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Solicitor's Department.
Spring Gardens, S.W.
1st August, 1865.

BARKING CREEK NUISANCES.

Mr. Giffard advizes that there is no difficulty in indicting the persons referred to in the Report of Dr. Letheby and Mr. Bazalgette, as a matter of law.

In drawing his attention to the practical steps to be taken, he says, it will be very important for the Board to be prepared with evidence, to show that their own works are not the cause of the nuisance complained of, as no doubt, that defence will be suggested. The nature of the effluvia, and that they have a different chemical character, (he supposes) from any that could arise from the sewage, should be proved by scientific witnesses of eminence, who have no general connection with the Board.

Mr. Giffard thinks that application should be made to the persons intended to be indicted, for leave to inspect the process of manufacture. The application should be made in writing, and should offer to make the inspection by two eminent scientific men, not connected with the Board, and it should state that the object of the inspection is to satisfy the Board, before taking any proceedings, that a nuisance is caused by their works. If the inspection is permitted, the Board should act in pursuance of the Report. The general evidence he advises will be, first, *a priori* evidence, from scientific witnesses, that such a manufacture would be likely to be unwholesome; and, secondly, evidence of the fact from witnesses who have experienced its effects. Mr. Giffard remarks that if the manufacture really be a nuisance, there can be no difficulty in finding many witnesses who have experienced its ill effects. They can describe their own sensations, and scientific men can then be called to say that such and such effects would be the natural consequence of inhaling such and such vapours.

Though not absolutely, Mr. Giffard thinks it very expedient that the two gentlemen who have reported should go themselves, and by actual observations verify their report; and he thinks it would be well to enclose a copy of their observations to the persons to whom the application for leave to inspect their premises is intended to be made.

Mr. Giffard remarks, that if the nuisances are of a common character, so that the decision of one case will decide the others, he would recommend proceeding only against one; but that if the character of the nuisance is different, so that it will be competent for the others to contend that the nuisance actually indicted does not resemble their own manufacture, then Mr. Giffard thinks the Board must proceed against the others, and he thinks, at the same time.

Mr. Giffard thinks that the Board had better act very promptly, and as the public attention is just now excited by the threatened approach of the cholera, the complaints may receive greater attention now, than if the fear of the pestilence shall have passed away.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the claim of the Land and House Investment Society, in respect of the construction of Sewers, near Portobello-road, Notting-hill, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report, as relates to the works of the Western Sewers Extension, be approved.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to the Marquis of Hartington to the

effect that the Board entertain no doubt as to the great nuisance which arises from the offensive manufactories below Woolwich, but that this Board conceives that the task of prosecuting offenders should be undertaken by Her Majesty's Government, or, at all events, not by this Board; but that this Board will supply any information, or assistance in their power.

Resolved—That the Engineer be instructed to examine and report with respect to the open ditches in Plumstead Marshes, into which it is alleged that the drainage of Plumstead now flows; that the Marquis of Hartington be informed, that such instructions have been given, and that the particulars of the Report, when made, will be communicated to his Lordship.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the application of the Imperial Gas Light Company, for permission to build over a portion of the Western Extension Sewer, adjoining their works at Sandsend, Fulham, be granted, on condition that the space within the arch proposed to be built over the sewer be left in its present solid condition; that the works be carried out under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and that the Company do enter into the usual Agreement for the preservation of the rights of the Board, in connection with the sewer.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Metropolitan and St. John's-wood Railway Company be permitted to re-construct the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, to a point at about 250 feet South of that shown on the Plan approved by the Board, on the 2nd June last, (No. 14), and to construct a new sewer generally under the Railway, in lieu of at the sides thereof, on condition—

That the Company connect into the new sewer under the Railway, in such manner as may be reasonably satisfactory to the Engineer of this Board, all the house and other drains and sewers, at present draining into the existing sewers, which are to be broken up;

That they repair the sewer works at their own cost, from time to time, as may be requisite, so as to maintain them in efficient working order, on the understanding that the Board shall repay to the Company the cost of all such repairs as may be due to the wear and tear of an ordinary sewer, not constructed under a Railway;

That the Company indemnify the Board against compensation for damage arising out of the sewer works authorized to be constructed;

That the sewer works be executed entirely in Portland Cement, the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewer to be 1 brick, and all larger sewers, to be 1½ bricks in thickness, and all supplementary works of such thicknesses as may be, from time to time, determined by the Board.

That all works be protected by concrete, as may be deemed necessary by the Engineer of this Board.

That the Company construct at points, and in manner to be determined by the Engineer of this Board, the following works—

No. 16 Side entrances, with ventilators complete.

No. 15 Ventilators, in addition to the above.

No. 2 Bell-mouths, in addition to those for connecting the already existing sewers; the branch sewers therefrom to be 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, and to be extended to the outside of the Railway works.

„ 13 12-inch drain mouths, with length of pipe to extend to the outside of the Railway works.

That the Company extend the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ sewer, to be constructed under the Railway, at its upper end, near Victoria-road, to the outside of the Railway works.

That the Company re-instate all Gullies and Sewer Works which may be disturbed by their works.

That the connecting 4 feet barrel Sewer, under and across Railway, near Alpha-road, be approached by steps from the existing 5′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ sewer in Park-road.

That the Board be at liberty at any future time to make such connections as they may deem necessary with the new sewer to be built under the Railway, and that the said sewer be and remain under the jurisdiction of the Board.

That the works hereby authorized be executed to the entire satisfaction of the Board, and that there shall not be any reference to an Engineer to be appointed by the Board of Trade; but that the decision of this Board, with respect to all sewers, be final and binding upon all parties.

14. Mr. Newton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE APPEAL COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
1st August, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report, for the information of your Honorable Board, that in pursuance of your Resolution of the 10th October, 1862, (No. 6), directing each Committee to appoint a Deputy Chairman, to bring up their Reports to the Board, and to preside at their Meetings, in the absence of the Chairman of the Board, they have unanimously appointed Borlase Hill Adams, Esq., as their Deputy Chairman for those purposes.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read,

Resolved—That it be received.

15. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE DEPUTATION APPOINTED TO CONFER WITH THE THAMES CONSERVATORS.

Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

The Deputation appointed by your Honorable Board on the 2nd June last, (No. 10), for the purpose of conferring with the Thames Conservators, on the subject of the filling-in material, obtained from the River for the Thames Embankment, beg to report that on the 3rd July they had an interview with the Conservancy Board, and called the attention of that Board to the amount charged for the dredging, and cost of the

barging and lightering of the same from the dredgers to the works, under the arrangement entered into with the Conservators, pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 24th March last, (No. 14), requesting them to supply such barges as would be sufficient, in conjunction with those furnished by Mr. Furness, to lighter as much material, of approved quality, as could be raised by the dredgers, and to deliver the same in accordance with the request of Mr. Furness, the Board undertaking to re-imburse the actual expense.

In connection with this point, the Deputation submitted to the Conservators the evidence given by Mr. McClean, before the Select Committee of the House of Commons on the Thames Embankment Bill, and also to that given by that gentleman and Mr. Maconochie, on the Bute Docks, Cardiff, Bill, from which it appeared that the estimated cost of dredging was below that charged to the Contractors for the Embankment Works.

The Conservators explained to the Deputation that, previously to tendering, the Contractors had been informed the price which would be charged for the material, viz., 6d. per yard, and they moreover assured the Deputation that, in practice, that price was found to be rather under, than in excess of the actual cost. They also stated that they adopted the most economical means for carrying out the arrangement, and that they employed no greater number of men, nor incurred any other expense, than was actually necessary.

With respect to the points within which the material should be raised, the Conservators expressed their opinion that that was a matter entirely within their own discretion, and that in selecting the particular places from whence the material was to be taken, they had regard only to that course of action which, in their judgment, was best calculated to ensure the improvement of the navigation of the river.

The Deputation strongly impressed upon the Thames Conservancy Board the necessity of increasing the supply of the material taken from the river, in order that the works might be completed within the period specified in the Contracts, and also that the Engineer might obtain a sufficient quantity for filling-up the fore-shore, above the level of high water, so as to remove the cause of the serious complaints which have been received from the Government, of the state of the banks in front of the Foreign Office, and also from Inhabitants along the line of the works. The Deputation also pointed out the importance of this being done, in order to lessen the quantity of the material which the Board would otherwise have to take from the land, to meet the difficulty.

In the result, the Conservancy Board did not appear disposed to reduce the price charged, either for the material raised, or for barging it to, and depositing it on, the works.

The attention of the Deputation has been called to the amount now due to the Thames Conservancy for the materials which have been supplied, and which they find to be about £5,000. They understand that letters, pressing for the payment, have been received, and they think the time has arrived when a portion of the amount should be paid, and that a Cheque for £4,000, on account, should now be drawn, and handed to the Conservancy Board.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That it be approved and adopted.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £4,000, and be paid to the Thames Conservators, on account of material supplied; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment (North) Account, accordingly.

16. The Board considered further the several applications of the Plumstead District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the following sums, viz.—

£15,000 for defraying the expenses of Sewerage works in the Parish of Plumstead.

£5,000 for defraying the expenses of Paving works in the said Parish.

£11,000 for defraying the expenses of Sewerage works in the Parish of Charlton.

And it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, in the County of Kent, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction to the borrowing and taking up at interest by the said District Board, of the sum of £20,000, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said District Board in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, on the credit of the Rates authorized to be raised by the said District Board, under the said Acts, in the Parish of Plumstead; £15,000 part of the said £20,000 being for the purposes connected with the sewerage of the Parish of Plumstead, and to be borrowed on the credit of the Sewers Rates leviable in the said parish, and £5,000, the remaining part of the said £20,000, being for the purposes connected with the paving and otherwise improving the streets of the said parish, and to be borrowed on the credit of the General Rates of the said parish: **And whereas**, this Board having duly considered the matter of the said application, it was resolved that the said District Board be permitted to borrow the sum of £15,000 for Sewerage Works in the said Parish of Plumstead, the rate of interest not to exceed £5 per cent. per annum, and the principal and interest to be re-paid by annual instalments within a period not exceeding 30 years: Therefore it is **ordered**, that the sanction in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Plumstead District, of the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, Royal Exchange, London, on the security of the Sewer Rates leviable in the said Parish of Plumstead, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £15,000 in one, or in several sums, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of sewerage, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per cent. per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by 30 equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, in the County of Kent, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction to the borrowing and taking up at interest by the said District Board, of the sum of £20,000, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said District Board in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, on the credit of the Rates authorized to be raised by the said District Board, under the said Acts, in the Parish of Plumstead; £15,000, part of the said £20,000, being for the purposes connected with the sewerage of the Parish of Plumstead, and to be borrowed on the credit of the Sewer Rates leviable in the said Parish, and £5,000, the remaining part of the said £20,000, being for the purposes connected with the paving and otherwise improving the

streets of the said Parish, and to be borrowed on the credit of the General Rates of the said Parish. And whereas, this Board having duly considered the matter of the said application, it was resolved that the said District Board be permitted to borrow the said sum of £5,000 for paving works in the said Parish of Plumstead, the rate of interest not to exceed £5 per cent. per annum, and the principal and interest to be repaid by annual instalments, within a period not exceeding ten years: Therefore it is ordered, that the sanction in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Plumstead District, of the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, Royal Exchange, London, on the security of the General Rates of the said Parish of Plumstead, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £5,000, in one, or in several sums, for the purpose of defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of paving and otherwise improving the streets of the said Parish, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per cent. per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by ten equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, in the County of Kent, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction to the borrowing and taking up at interest by the said Board of the sum of £11,000, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said District Board in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, on the credit of the Rates authorized to be raised by the said District Board under the said Acts, in the Parish of Charlton, the same being for purposes connected with the sewerage of the said Parish of Charlton, and to be borrowed on the credit of the Sewer Rates of the said Parish. And whereas, this Board having duly considered the matter of the said application, it was resolved that the said District Board be permitted to borrow the said sum of £11,000 for sewerage works, in the said Parish of Charlton, the rate of interest not to exceed £5 per cent. per annum, and the principal and interest to be repaid by annual instalments, within a period not exceeding thirty years: Therefore it is ordered that the sanction in writing of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Board of Works for the Plumstead District, of the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, Royal Exchange, London, on the security of the Sewer Rates of the said Parish of Charlton, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £11,000, in one, or in several sums, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of sewerage, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per cent. per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk reported that the Plumstead District Board of Works had requested to be supplied with copies of the foregoing Orders; and he laid before the Board copies of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Copy Orders, respectively, and that they be transmitted to the Plumstead District Board of Works; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. The Board considered further the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to the borrowing by the said District Board, of the

sums of £45,000 and £4,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of sewerage works within the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth, respectively; and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Parliament, passed in the 19th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the sums of £45,000 and £4,000 sterling, such loans to be for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the construction and execution of certain sewerage works, in the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth, within the said District; and that the said sums of £45,000 and £4,000, together with the interest for the same, should be secured by mortgages of the Rates, leviable for that purpose, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, within the said Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth. And whereas, this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is fit and proper that the said sums should be borrowed by the said District Board of Works for the execution of the said works: Now, therefore, it is ordered that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the said sums of £45,000 and £4,000, upon the terms and security in the said application mentioned, at a rate of interest, not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the said sums to be repaid by 30 equal annual iustalments, commencing within one year after the date of each loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that the same be transmitted to the Wandsworth District Board of Works; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for the sanction of this Board to the borrowing by the said Vestry of the sum of £6,500, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Sewerage works, within the said Parish, and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Parliament passed in the nineteenth year of the reign of Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to an intended loan by the said Vestry, on the security of the Sewers Rates, leviable within the said Parish, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum not exceeding £6,500, for the purpose of defraying the expenses to be incurred in the execution of certain works of sewerage, within the said Parish. And whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purpose aforesaid: Therefore, it is ordered that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, on the security of the Sewers Rates leviable within the said Parish, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum not exceeding £6,500, for the purpose of defraying the expenses to be incurred in the execution of the said works of sewerage, within the said Parish, such loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding £5 per centum, per annum, the principal sum to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that the same be transmitted to the Vestry of Hampstead; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. The Clerk laid before the Board, copies of the Orders of the Board passed this day, for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following streets and places, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

15, Neville Terrace - - - - -	Kensington.
Dean-street, &c. - - - - - -	St. George-in-the-East.
Milton-street - - - - -	St. Marylebone.
Bridport-place - - - - -	Shoreditch.
Harleyford-road - - - - -	Lambeth.
Cleveland-gardens - - - -	Paddington.
Prince's-square - - - - -	Do.
High-street - - - - -	Fulham.
Church-street - - - - -	Do.
Queen's-road - - - - -	Paddington.
Portland-road, (portion of,) &c. - -	Kensington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th August, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
BERMONDSEY.				
Maiden-road, Jamaica-level .	340	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
Intended new road, and Fort-road, St. James's-road. .	600	15 ,,	,,	
SAINT GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE.				
Intended continuation of Warwick-street, Pimlico . .	300	4′0″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
ISLINGTON.				
Montpelier-rd. and Brougham-road, Holloway . . .	415	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
Highbury Grange Estate .	994	12 ,,	,,	
WANDSWORTH.				
Prince Albert-road, Prince of Wales's-road, Battersea-park	about 2,900	3′0″×2′0″	brick	The same as applied for.
	1,810	15 inch	pipe	
	3,170	12 ,,	,,	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

21. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
3rd August, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 2nd instant –

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	4,183	4,514
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	4,183	4,514

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 2nd instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	66,496	129,066
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	73,360	139,242

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 212,602 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

22. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
3rd August, 1865.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT WORKS, THE LOW LEVEL SEWER, NORTH, AND THE ALTERATIONS OF MAIN SEWERS, SCHEDULE D.

NORTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 1), *between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges*—The works comprise about 1,510 feet in length of caisson-dam, 660 feet in length of timber coffer-dam, 140 feet run of River-wall, with Low Level Sewer and Subway, by Whitehall, and 1,604 feet of 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick sewer along the foreshore, for the purpose of intercepting the drains discharging thereon; the formation of the foundations, brickwork, granite-facings, flushing-sewer and reservoir, with pipes, valves, &c., for flushing the Low Level Sewer; the paving for recesses, &c., in connection with the Westminster steam-boat pier; and of the river-wall in continuation, Eastward, thereof. The filling-in of 306,500 cube yards of material, partly from the river, and partly from the land, and piling, for strutting to coffer-dams, &c., in various stages. The approximate value of the whole of the foregoing, together with the materials and plant upon the ground, is £170,584, of which the sum of £13,423 in due to the progress made by Mr. Furness in the past month. Of the total amount, the proportionate sum of £63,747 is for works; £31,079 for materials, and £75,758 for plant.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 2), *between Waterloo Bridge and Temple Gardens.*—The coffer-dam in front of Somerset House is completed, with the exception of about 75 feet at the end nearest the Bridge. Within the finished portion about 3,500 cube yards of ground have been excavated, and 700 yards of concrete tipped-in for the foundations of the river-wall. Within the dam fronting Temple-pier, and the Western end of Temple-gardens, the work done in the construction of the river-wall, sewer, and subway, is as follows:—418 cube yards of excavation have been got out, and 1,270 yards of concrete deposited, 115 rods of brickwork built, 3,650 cube feet of granite bedded, and 780 feet super of 6-in York landings laid. The dam at the Eastern end of Temple-gardens is in course of

construction. The approximate value of the work completed, and of the materials and plant upon the ground, is £126,726, or £6,858 for the work executed by Mr. Ritson, in the past month. Of the total amount, the sum of £73,233 is for works; £19,049 for materials, and £34,444 for plant.

Low Level Sewer.—During the past month, 1,180 feet of the main line, and 535 feet of the Old Ford Branch Sewer, have been constructed, making in all a total length of about 2⅓ miles of sewers completed under this contract. Within the dam which has been completed in the River Lee, 550 yards of excavation have been got out. The sewer from that river, through the marshes, is being constructed in open cutting, and is fast progressing; about 550 feet run of trench having been opened, and the brick invert got in, for a length of 150 feet. The total approximate value of the completed work is £117,453, of which the sum of £12,169 is due to the progress made by Mr. Webster, in the past month.

Abbey Mills Pumping Station.—The excavation for this building is in progress, about 3,000 cube yards of ground having been got out, and 50 piles driven, with the necessary walings, strutts, &c., fixed. The cost of these works, including the pumping, is estimated at £2,500.

Western Sewers Extension.—These works are now virtually completed, and their approximate cost is £17,800.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Greenwich and Deptford Sewers.—Nearly 1¾ miles of these sewers, with about 3,770 feet of branch pipe sewers and drains, have been completed by Mr. Dethick, who has also about 214 feet of tunnelling in progress. The total value of these, and of the incidental works in connection therewith, is £21,190, or £1,233 in excess of the amount last reported.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board.

23. The Chairman having vacated the Chair,

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That John Samuel Phillips, Esq., do take the Chair; and he took the Chair accordingly.

24. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, prepared in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 21st July last, (No. 23), on the letter from Messrs. Holmer and Company, with reference to the damage alleged to have been done to Mr. Thomas Barber's house, No. 5, East-street, Greenwich, in the execution of the Greenwich, &c., Sewerage works; stating that he, the Engineer, had had the premises examined, and that the result confirmed the statement of the Contractor, contained in his letter presented to the Board, on 28th ultimo, (No. 32), and recommending that Messrs. Holmer and Company be furnished with a copy of the letter in question, and informed that the Board, on their part, decline to admit any liability to the claim.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon.

25. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, recommending that the River-wall fronting the Powder-Magazine, and land attached to it, agreed on the 30th June last, (No. 3), to be purchased by the Board from Messrs. Curtis and Hall, be extended along the front of the additional piece of land, at an estimated cost of £1,500.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

26. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, stating that Messrs. Trollope and Son had blocked up the Board's path-way, by the side of the King's Scholars' Pond Sewer, near its outlet, and had also placed articles on the roof-covering of the sewer, and recommending that they be at once called upon to remove the obstructions.

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do write to Messrs. Trollope and Son, and request them forthwith to remove the obstructions referred to.

27. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, submitting for approval, the Contract-Drawings and Specification for re-constructing, deepening, and otherwise improving the Earl, Duffield, and Battle Bridge Main Sewers, prepared pursuant to the Resolutions of the Board of the 30th June last, (No. 3), and the 7th July last, (No. 3), and recommending that advertisements be forthwith issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works.

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Drawings and Specification be approved, and that advertisements be forthwith issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works; such Tenders to be opened at the Meeting of the Board on the 22nd September next.

28. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
3rd August, 1865.

On letter from the Vestry of Paddington, requesting this Board to adopt, as a Main Sewer, the portion of the Local Sewer, running by Green-Lane Bridge, Great Western-road and Cornwall-road, and connecting with the Middle Level Sewer at the latter road.

The portion of sewer in question is about 700 yards in length, and is under the jurisdiction of the Vestry of Paddington. The ground upon which they request this Board to assume that jurisdiction, is, that as considerable alterations will doubtlessly be effected by the Great Western Railway Company, at Green-lane Bridge, it will be better for the Board to have the control of the sewer, so that the Company will then have but one body, possessing absolute power in the matter, to deal with.

The Main Sewers are defined in Schedule D of the Act, which settled the particular lines as well as the general policy of the question, and unless it becomes absolutely necessary to re-consider any special sewer in connection with a real working difficulty, it does not appear to me that the question could be re-opened upon individual applications. The reason given by the Vestry does not appear to me adequate for the purpose, as it merely resolves itself into a question of the particular body which is to have the trouble of arranging matters with a Railway Company, and I cannot, therefore, recommend the Board to comply with the request.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was **moved** by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the request of the Vestry of Paddington be not complied with.

29. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

On letter, dated 8th ultimo, from Mr. Marsden, on behalf of the Vestry of Camberwell, transmitting design of a Bridge proposed to be erected over the

Grand Surrey Canal, at Trafalgar-road, in lieu of the present wooden structure, known as Buck's-bridge, and requesting this Board to defray the expense of its construction, or to grant a liberal contribution thereto.

The existing Buck's-bridge is an inconvenient wooden structure, suitable only for the passage of foot passengers and horses. It is proposed, now, to re-construct the bridge, 39 feet in width, with a carriage-way of 27 feet, and two footpaths, each 6 feet wide, and to improve the gradients of approaches to make them practicable for carriage traffic.

The proposed bridge is skilfully designed to overcome the difficulties arising from the great difference of level of the crown of the bridge, and the adjacent ground, but the gradients still remain very steep, as much as 1 in 20 for the carriage-way, and 1 in 6 for footways. The bridge is intended to be a wrought-iron arched bridge, and is generally efficient in point of strength, but would be improved by additional concrete backing to the haunches of the arch. The estimate, also, appears to me, to be too low.

The bridge is situate in a road which communicates, at its Northern end, with the Old Kent-road, and at its Southern extremity with the Peckham-road, but at this end is very narrow and inconvenient, a circumstance which would render the intended new structure of less advantage to the public, generally, than it might be, if the road were widened at this end, so as to afford a commodious thoroughfare from Old Kent-road to Peckham, and through Rye-lane, which is a continuation of this road, in a Southern direction, to Peckham-Rye and Forest-hill. I recommend that this matter be referred to the Works or Streets Committee.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and and report.

30. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th August, 1865, submitting for approval the Drawings and Specification of the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and stating that the foundations for the work, up to the level of the ground line, were now being executed by Mr. Webster, and, as far as the works were concerned, it would be most convenient that they should be completed by the same Contractor.

It was moved by Mr Brooker, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

31. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Fowler, with reference to the alterations to the Outlet of the Fleet Sewer, rendered necessary by the proposed works of the Metropolitan District Railway, and of the new road Bridge, about to be erected over the river, at Blackfriars.

After much correspondence and discussion with the Engineers of the respective works upon this subject, Mr. Fowler, the Engineer to the Railway, now writes, that the Bridge Authorities have agreed to adopt the first of two designs, dated 19th April, 1865, which I submitted to them as alternatives, and that he, on behalf of the Railway Company, co-incides. The Bridge Authorities to construct, at their expense, that portion of the design which passes through their abutment, and the paving on the foreshore, and the Railway Company the part landwards of the abutment, to point G on Plan, the remainder of the work being executed by the Board, at their own cost.

The design which has been adopted, is, in my opinion, the best that can be adopted to meet the circumstances, but, as the alterations to the sewer are rendered necessary by the proposed works of the Railway, and the Bridge, it is reasonable that the entire cost thereof, should be borne by the Brid[illegible]

Authorities and the Railway Company. I therefore recommend that permission be given to the Railway Company and the Bridge Authorities, at their own cost, to divert the Fleet Outlet from point N, as shown on drawing referred to, a copy of which accompanies this Report, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the Board.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE.
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that permission be given to the Railway Company and the Committee of the Bridge House Estates, at their own cost, to divert the Fleet Outlet from point N, as shown on the drawing accompanying the Report, on condition that the whole of the work be executed to the satisfaction of the Board.

32. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, recommending the reconstruction of a further length of 400 feet of the Sewer in Cleveland-street, Fitzroy-square, under the General Contract, at an estimated cost of £480.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said work be executed under the Contract for General Works, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

33. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Sinclair, dated 1st instant, requesting approval of Bridges, one to carry the Great Eastern Railway over, and a second to carry the East London Railway under, Wheeler-street, Whitechapel. Acts 27 and 28 Vict. cap 313, and 28 and 29 Vict. East London Railway Act.

Mr. Sinclair requests approval of Bridge to carry Great Eastern Railway over Wheeler-street, Whitechapel, and of a Bridge, or covered way, to convey the East London Railway under the same street, at the same spot, both works being a portion of the same structure.

The bridge over the roadway is proposed to have a headway for its entire area of 20 feet 9½ inches. to which there can be no objection, and a span of 30 feet on the square. The Company are not permitted to erect a bridge over a road of less span than 40 feet, except by consent of the Board, but as the width of Wheeler-street is at present only 23½ feet, and the bridge carrying the Great Eastern Railway over the same street, at a point about 100 feet distant from the bridge, now proposed, has a span of 30 feet only, I would recommend the Board to grant their consent in this case. The bridge is well designed to prevent noise and leakage, provided the concrete over arches is laid with a fall towards the abutments. The parapet appears to be 7 feet in height above the rails. I recommend that the design of this bridge be approved.

The covered-way below does not appear to affect the roadway, and it is well designed to prevent noise. I recommend, therefore, that this also be approved. The covered-way will interfere with a District Sewer, and although the District Board have a clause in the Act saving their rights, it would be well that they should be informed of the circumstance.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the design of the Bridge over the road-way be approved, on condition that the concrete over the arches be laid with a fall towards the abutments; that the design of the covered-way be also approved, and that the attention of the District Board be called to the fact, that the covered-way will interfere with a District sewer.

34. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th August, 1865, stating that the Contractor for the No. 1 Section of the Thames Embankment, North, had submitted a plan for the formation of a Temporary Pier at Hungerford-bridge, in the manner shown upon the tracing accompanying the report, and recommending that the matter be formally submitted by the Board to the South Eastern Railway Company, for their approval.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Railway Company, requesting their approval of the Plan in question.

35. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th August, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Bermondsey, for permission to stop up Bermondsey-street, for a period of four weeks, for the purposes of re-paving, stating that the traffic would be diverted through New Weston-street, and recommending that the application be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

36. Read a letter from Mr. W. E. Greenwell, Vestry Clerk, St. Marylebone, dated 4th August, 1865, requesting the permission of the Board to the stopping-up of Oxford-street, from time to time, as might be necessary for the purpose of re-paving, for a period extending over twelve weeks, from the 7th instant, and stating that the traffic would be conveniently arranged by passing through the numerous side streets, and that it presented no difficulty.

Resolved—That the Engineer do inform Mr. Greenwell, that it is necessary the Vestry should, from time to time, submit for approval, definite propositions for closing certain portions of Oxford-street, to be described, for specified periods, and showing in what manner the traffic is to be diverted in each case.

37. It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That in the event of application being made during the recess, by District Boards or Vestries, for the sanction of this Board to the construction of sewers, the Engineer be authorized, upon being satisfied as to the nature of the works required to be executed, to sanction the execution of the same, and that he do submit to the Board, at their first meeting after the Recess, a list of the several works which he shall have so sanctioned.

38. It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That in the event of application being received during the recess, for the sanction of this Board to the construction of Railway Bridges or other Railway works, the Engineer be authorized, upon being satisfied as to the nature of such works, to sanction the execution of the same, and that he do submit to the Board, at their first meeting after the recess, a list of the several works which he shall have so sanctioned.

39. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd August, 1865, on a letter from Mr. F. W. Porter, requesting permission to lower a portion of the Main Irongate Sewer, for the purpose of erecting a warehouse on his clients' land at the corner of Vine and George-streets, Crutched-friars, setting forth the facts of the case, and recommending the Board to sanction the application upon certain conditions.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the report be approved, and that the application of Mr. F. W. Porter, for permission to lower a portion of the Main Irongate Sewer, for the purpose of erecting

a warehouse on land at the corner of Vine and George Streets, Crutched-friars, be granted, on condition that the top of the sewer be formed of stone landings; that its height from the top of the invert to the under-side of the covering be not less than 4 feet 6 inches in the clear, and that the whole of the work be done under the direction and to the entire satisfaction of the officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the applicants; and that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare the usual agreement to be entered into by the applicants, reserving to the Board their rights in connection with the sewer in question.

40. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Thompson and Debenham, on behalf of the Hop and Malt Exchange and Warehouse Company, dated 4th August, 1865, requesting permission of the Board, that the workmen and servants of the Company might be allowed to enter upon the plots in Southwark-street, numbered respectively 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, and 29, and the warehouse at the rear, contracted to be purchased of the Board, for the purpose of commencing the buildings the Company propose to erect on the property, and offering to pay a sum of £4,000 or £5,000, in further payment of the purchase-money, in consideration of such indulgence.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Clerk do inform Messrs. Thompson and Debenham, that upon the Plans being approved by the Superintending Architect, and the purchase-money paid, the Solicitor will make the necessary arrangements for giving up possession of the plots in question.

41. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contracts for the under-mentioned works, together with the Bonds, duly executed by the Contractors and their Sureties, respectively, viz.—

By Mr. Webster, for the execution of the works of the Thames Embankment, on the South side of the River.

By Messrs. James and Samuel Williams, for covering over, deepening, and re-constructing the Stamford Brook Sewer.

By Messrs. Hill and Keddell, for the improvement and diversion of the Woolwich Main Sewers into the Southern Outfall Sewer.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contracts, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

42. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary a Cheque should be drawn for the sum of £2 15s. 3d., interest due to the Rev. William De St. Croix, on the compensation paid to him in respect of the premises, 14, Peter's-hill, required for the new street to the Mansion House.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the said amount; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, accordingly.

43. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary a Cheque should be drawn for the sum of £200, payable to the Accountant, for the purposes of meeting expenses in connection with Jury notices during the Recess.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £200; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, accordingly.

44. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
August 4th, 1865.

Pneumatic Despatch Company.

The Board will recollect that the Arbitrator required the Company to comply with his Award in ten weeks. That time is just out. I was directed to advise with Counsel as to the proper mode of enforcing it, and to have Bill in Equity prepared, if he thought that the proper course. The best

remedy is, in Counsel's opinion, a Bill in Equity. He has prepared draft Bill, and he thinks (although the matter may be open to some question) that the proper course is for the Board to file the Bill.

I have again written to the Solicitors of the Company to know what course the Company will take as to the work ordered to be done. They say that the Company has not yet decided.

Will the Board be pleased to say whether the Bill shall be filed now, or whether the Board would prefer to wait until after the recess, so as to see what course the Company may take ?

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That, in the event of the Company not intimating their intention, within fourteen days, of carrying out the Award, the Solicitor be authorized to take the necessary steps for filing a Bill against them.

45. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, SOUTH.

The Board has sealed, and the Government Officer has guaranteed, the security for the Loan of £100,000 on the First of September next. A day or two before that day, Sir A. Spearman will arrange with the Bank to pay that sum on the First, to the Board's Account, on having the Security handed to him. Will the Board authorize the Accountant to keep the Deed, and arrange for its delivery over and completing the transaction on the First of September ?

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that the Accountant be authorized to keep the Deed above referred to, and take the steps suggested by the Solicitor.

46. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

Re THISLETON.

The Board will recollect that the Guarantee Society engaged to pay the £211 19s. 8d. on 31st August instant. They required the Guarantee to be given up, and a receipt given to the Society in the printed form annexed, to be signed by the Officer of the Board. The Finance Committee sometime since, considered the matter, and directed me to get the authority before the Board broke up. Probably the Board will authorize the Accountant to give up the guarantee, receive the money, and sign the papers and receipt, first keeping a copy of the guarantee and the receipt.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Report be received, and that the Accountant be authorized to take the steps suggested by the Solicitor.

47. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Analysis of the Whitechapel and Holborn Improvement Act, 1865, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th August, 1865.

ANALYSIS OF THE WHITECHAPEL AND HOLBORN IMPROVEMENT ACT, 1865.

Section 1—Incorporates the Lands Clauses Act, 1845, and the Lands Clauses Consolidation Acts Amendment Act, 1860 (except Sections 92 and 133 of first-mentioned Act).

Section 2—Is the short Title of the Act.

Section 3—Is the Interpretation Clause.

Section 4—Empowers the Board to carry the Act into execution.

Section 5—Empowers the Board to appoint a Committee, to manage and transact the matters which the Board are empowered to do under the Act.

Section 6—Provides that Members of the Committee shall not be, directly or indirectly, concerned in any Contract for works to be performed under the Act, or for materials to be used therein, under penalty of £100, and such Contract to be void.

Section 7—Empowers the Board to make the new Street in Whitechapel, and widen and improve High Holborn at Holborn-bars, by removing Middle-row.

Section 8—Provides that the new Street and the other works authorized, may be made upon the lands shown on the Plans and Book of Reference, and gives power to the Board to enter upon and use such land as they may deem necessary for all such purposes, and for providing space for the erection of houses and buildings adjoining the street. Power to deviate 3 feet from levels.

Section 9—Empowers the Board to lay out Carriage and Foot-ways, and to construct such Vaults, Cellars, Arches, Sewers, Drains, and other works and conveniences as they may think proper.

Section 10—Gives power to the Board to alter and stop up streets, and enclose void ground, shown on Plan, and the ground to vest in the Board for the purposes of the Act.

Section 11—Gives power to the Board to stop the traffic in any streets during the execution of the works.

Section 12—Empowers the Board to alter the Levels of any streets shown on the deposited Plans.

Section 13—The Board to do the pavements and hand them over to the District Board or Vestry liable to repair the same, and the rights of property of all pavements, arches, stones, and bricks, to be the property of the District or Vestry, but the Board is not to be liable for any pavements after once the street is paved.

Section 14—The Board to arch-over or fill-up sewers and drains which are in streets, so that no public sewer or drain be disturbed, and the Board must substitute sewers for any taken up.

Section 15—Empowers the Board to alter the position of any steps, areas, cellars, pipes, &c., and also the gas and water mains, making compensation for damage.

Section 16—Provides that the land laid open into the street, and paved, shall form part of the street, and be used by the public; the paving, lighting, &c., to be under control of District, or Vestry of the Parish, which the same is situate.

Section 17—Empowers the Board to make Subways.

Section 18—Provides that any omission or errors in the Plans, or Books of Reference, may be corrected by two Justices.

Section 19—Empowers the Board to sell the materials of the houses and buildings taken by them.

Section 20—Empowers the Board, after giving 24 hours' notice the first time, and afterwards 12 hours', to enter upon the lands for the purpose of surveying and valuing the premises.

Section 21—Empowers the Board to treat and agree for the purchase of any lands and subsisting leases, &c.

Section 22—Limits the powers of the Board for compulsory purchases to 5 years, from the passing of the Act.

Section 23—Provides, when the owner of any lands shall not be inclined to sell the whole of his lands, and it shall not be found necessary to take the whole, and the parties cannot agree as to the money to be paid for the part which the Board think it necessary for them to purchase, then the Jury or Arbitrator shall ascertain the value of the whole premises, and also the value of that part of the premises which remain after the Board have taken the quantity they require, and the difference between these two valuations shall be the price to be paid by the Board.

Section 24—Provides, that the Jury or Arbitrator shall award all determinations and verdicts concerning the value of lands, separately from the consideration of any other loss, the occupier may be entitled to, and the Jury, or Arbitrator, on request to state whether claimant gave sufficient particulars to enable the Board to make a proper offer, and if not, one-half of the costs of the Jury or Arbitration to be borne by the claimant.

Section 25—Provides, that if the Board become possessed of any premises charged with Land Tax, they must make good the deficiency, until completion of works, computed according to the rental

of such premises, at the time of the passing of this Act, power to the Board to redeem the Land Tax if they should see fit.

Section 26—Empowers the Board to grant Building Leases of ground not wanted, which they may think proper to let.

Section 27—Empowers the Board to sell the Ground Rents to be reserved by the leases, or before, or after any leases granted, and also the fee simple of the houses.

Section 28—Gives power to the Board to sell the surplus land in the first instance, without having previously granted a lease thereof, upon such terms as the Board shall think fit.

Section 29—Directs that the Board are to sell, within 10 years after completion of street, any land not wanted for the purposes of the Act.

Section 30—The receipts of the Board to be effectual discharges.

Section 31—Empowers the Board to raise money for the purposes of the Act, and to charge the Rates under the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and other Acts.

Section 32—Describes form of Bonds and Mortgages.

Section 33—Incorporates Sections 184 to 191 (both inclusive) of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, relative to Mortgages and Bonds.

Section 34—Provides that all Bonds and Mortgages shall be without preference or priority.

Section 35—Gives power to the Board to raise money on Annuities.

Section 36—Provides for the register, transfer, and register of transfers of Annuities.

Section 37—Describes form of transfer of Annuities.

Section 38—Directs that moneys raised by Mortgage, &c., shall be charged upon, and payable out of, the Rates.

Section 39—Expenses of Mortgages to be defrayed by the Board.

Section 40—The Board to keep separate Accounts of all moneys borrowed, and of all lands purchased, and of moneys invested in such purchases, and of all receipts, credits, payments, and liabilities with respect to the execution of the Act.

Section 41—Directs the application of moneys raised under the Act, first in expenses of the Act, and then in the purchase of land, and making the street, and carrying out the Act.

Section 42—Directs that all moneys arising from Fines or Sales of any lands or ground rents shall be applied in carrying out the Improvements authorized by the Act, or in augmentation of the Sinking Fund, to be provided by the Board for discharge of the principal moneys borrowed under this Act.

Section 43—Powers of Metropolis Management Acts, extended to this Act.

Resolved—That the said Analysis be printed, and circulated among the Members of the Board.

48. The Solicitor having called the attention of the Board to the advisability of provision being made for the appointment of Arbitrators, in cases of claims for compensation during the Recess,

Resolved—That in cases of claims for compensation in respect of property in which it may be necessary to appoint an Arbitrator on the part of the Board during the Recess, Mr. Frederick Marrable be appointed to act as Arbitrator on behalf of the Board.

49. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 4th August, 1865, stating that Mr. Compton, in the Solicitor's Department, had for some time in his private leisure hours, been engaged in making an Index to the following Acts, which were not in Mr. Woolrych's Volume, viz.—

The Metropolitan Main Drainage Extension Act, 1863.

„ Covent Garden Approach, and Southwark and Westminster Communication Act, 1857.

The Finsbury Park Act, 1857.
„ Victoria Park Act, 1858.
„ Southwark Park Act, 1864.
„ Protection of Garden and Ornamental Grounds Act, 1863.
„ Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864.
„ Act for shortening the Language used in Acts of Parliament.
„ Metropolis Improvement Act, 1863.
„ Coal and Wine Duties Act, 1863.
„ Thames Embankment Act, 1863.
„ Thames Embankment Act, 1864.
„ Thames Embankment and Metropolis Improvement Loans Act, 1864.

And also stating that Mr. Compton would be happy to present them to the Board, and had offered to make an Index to each of the following recent Acts, so soon as he could do so—

The Fire Brigade Act.
„ Locomotives on Roads Act.
„ Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Act.
„ Metropolitan Main Drainage Act, 1865.
„ Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1865, and
„ Whitechapel and Holborn Improvement Act.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the said Indices be printed when completed, and that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider as to what remuneration should be made to Mr. Compton for the work.

50. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
Saville House. 4th August, 1865.

I have seen Mr. Kendall, the District Surveyor. I find from him, that a Fire took place at Saville House, and he raises the question, whether, as the fact is (as he believes), that the Fire will necessitate the taking down such building, to an extent exceeding one half of such building, the re-building shall be deemed to be the erection of a new building. Mr. Kendall has received, as yet, no notice from the builder, nor can he get a sight of the Plans.

I think the question raised, one of very serious difficulty. It might be urged, that the spirit of the Act requires it to be construed in favor of the public, and that it be treated as a new building, but the Act does not seem, in words, to apply to the case of an accident which the party could not control, but rather to a case where the party was a volunteer. It might be argued, with great apparent reason, that it would be most hard to make the 10th Section applicable where an accident occured, for the effect would be to make a party incur much greater cost than he otherwise might do. Still some arguments of weight may be used on the other side. I have looked anxiously for any authority of any Court, or anything which would help in the construction of this Section, but I can find none, and in this state of things, I would suggest, that when the District Surveyor is served with a notice, and he can learn the true intention of the builder, Counsel advize whether it is a case where the Magistrate ought to treat the case as within the 10th Section, and if Counsel think he should, that I instruct Counsel to support an application to the Magistrate, and to ask for a Case for a Superior Court, if Counsel shall recommend that course.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the course suggested by the Solicitor be adopted.

51. The Solicitor reported, that he had been served on the part of the Board, with a writ at the suit of Mr. George Hawes, for the amount of compensation and costs, under the

Award of the Arbitrator, in respect of damage to his premises, Commerce House, Walham-green, alleged to have been caused by the execution of the Western Sewerage Works.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do appear to the said writ, and be authorized to take such steps as may be necessary, for protecting the interests of the Board.

52. Read a letter, as follows—

International Financial Society, Limited,
60, Threadneedle-street,
London, 3rd August, 1865.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Mr. Pollard's letter of the 28th ultimo, informing me that I had taken up a wrong impression with regard to the expenses attendant upon the collection of samples of Sewage at Bow, and that it is not only the future, but also the past expenses which the Board require to be borne by the Sewage Company.

The Sewage Company is not yet so definitely constituted as to have commenced making any payments; I have, therefore, laid Mr. Pollard's letter before the Weekly Board Meeting of this Society, and the Directors have authorized a cheque to be drawn for account of the Sewage Company for £320, the amount of such past expenses, which I therefore have the pleasure to enclose herewith. This we have decided upon doing to avoid the possibility of an interruption in the collection of the samples, but it seems to me to be a matter of such unquestionable interest and importance to the Metropolitan Board, to have in their possession accurate data as to the precise quantities of Sewage daily discharged by their Works, and as to the exact money value of its chemical constituents, that I would venture to suggest that the Board should consider whether it is not in their interest to bear, say the half, of this small expense, in order not to lose control of the experiments.

Trusting you will pardon the liberty I take in making this suggestion,

I have, &c.,

Sir John Thwaites,
Chairman of the
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens.

(Signed) W. HOPE,
General Manager.

Resolved—That so much of the said letter as relates to the Board, on public grounds, bearing a moiety of the expenses incurred in making the experiments, be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to Mr. Hope, acknowledging the receipt of the Cheque, and acquainting him that the experiments will be continued, in accordance with his wishes, and that his suggestion as to the Board bearing a moiety of the expenses, has been referred to a Committee, for consideration and report; that the Committee will meet immediately after the termination of the Recess of the Board, after which a further communication will be addressed to him.

53. Read a letter, as follows—

Poor Law Board, Whitehall, S.W.,
3rd August, 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by the Poor Law Board to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 15th ultimo, upon the subject of the re-imbursement to Boards of Guardians of the expenses incurred under the Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 27 and 28 Vict. cap 116.

It is enacted by Section 4 of that Statute, that, where the wards or places provided in any Union or Parish for the reception of the poor persons to whom the Act applies have been certified by this Board to be proper, the Guardians may include as part of the expense incurred by them in the relief of such poor persons, such sum in respect of each pauper as the Poor Law Board shall, from time to time, allow for the cost and expense of temporarily providing and maintaining such wards, or other places.

The Act of the last Session (28 and 29 Vict. cap 34) however, provides a more simple, and, as it appears to the Board, a more convenient mode of effecting this object.

Instead of allowing a sum in respect of each pauper relieved, Section 3 empowers the Board to allow a sum or sums in gross.

The Board have obtained from the Guardians of those Unions and Parishes, to which certificates have been issued, a return or statement of the expenses incurred between the 29th September, 1864, and Lady-day last, in making the temporary provision referred to, and they have caused such statements to be submitted to the Auditor, at his audit, with a view to verification.

These statements having been returned duly verified by the Auditor, the Board, under the combined authority of the two Acts, have proceeded to allow to the Guardians of the Unions and Parishes, mentioned in the enclosed list, the sums respectively set against each, and such allowance has been notified to each Board of Guardians by letter.

Copies of the Certificates issued by the Board under Section 1 of the Act of 1864, are herewith forwarded, for the information and use of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

It will be seen, that Certificates have been issued to the following Unions and Parishes, but that, at present, no allowance has been made to the Guardians in respect of the cost of temporarily providing and maintaining Wards for the Houseless Poor, viz.—Bermondsey, Holborn, St. Olave's, Greenwich, Stepney, Whitechapel, Chelsea, St. Leonard, Shoreditch.

The Board have not been able to certifiy that sufficient, or proper wards, have been provided in the West London, East London, St. Saviour's, and Lewisham Unions, or in the Parishes of St. George-the-Martyr, Southwark, St. Mary, Newington, Rotherhithe, Clerkenwell, and Hampstead, and, consequently, no Certificates have been issued to those Unions and Parishes.

I am, &c.,

To John Pollard, Esq., (Signed) ENFIELD,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works, Secretary.
Spring Gardens.

List of Unions and Parishes in which Wards, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Houseless Poor Acts, 1864 and 1865, have been certified by the Poor Law Board to be sufficient.

	Amount allowed by the Poor Law Board.
Unions.	£
Fulham	44
Greenwich	...
Hackney	47
Holborn	...
London, City of	148
Poplar	195
St. Olave's	...
Stepney	...
Strand	88
Wandsworth and Clapham	124
Whitechapel	...
Parishes.	
Paddington	48
St. George, Hanover Square	189
St. George-in-the-East	...
St. Giles, Camberwell	55
St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. George, Bloomsbury	75
St. James, Westminster	451
St. Leonard, Shoreditch	...
St. Luke, Middlesex	254
St. Luke, Chelsea	...
St. Margaret and St. John the Evangelist, Westminster	73
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	172
St. Mary Abbot, Kensington	48
St. Mary, Lambeth	94
St. Marylebone	209
St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondsey	...
St. Matthew, Bethnal Green	345
St. Pancras	18
Hamlet.	
Mile End Old Town	57

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee.

54. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter, as follows—

Royal Institute of British Architects.
9, Conduit-street, Hanover-square, W.,
29th July, 1865.

Dear Sir,

We are requested to forward to you the annexed copy of a Resolution passed at the Meeting of the Council held on Friday, the 28th instant, on the subject of "Light and Air affected by the obstruction of buildings in course of erection."

We are, &c.,
(Signed) J. P. SEDDON,
C. F. HAYWARD,
Hon. Secs.

To the Chairman of the
Metropolitan Board of Works.
Sir John Thwaites.

COPY OF RESOLUTION REFERRED TO.

RESOLVED—That the proceedings now necessary to be taken in questions relating to Light and Air, as affected by buildings in course of erection, require modification, as suits on this subject, on the one hand, enable individuals to obstruct public improvements and encourage litigious proceedings, or, on the other hand, prevent individuals from establishing their rights, except at excessive costs.

That such questions should be settled upon the principle of compensation for any injuries received, or modification of the alleged cause of injury.

That they should be subjects of reference, in a manner similar to that provided for questions as to party walls, in the Metropolitan Building Act.

J. P. S.
C. F. H.

55. The Clerk laid before the Board a Report on the state of the Collection, to the 30th June, 1865, of the several Assessments made to meet the Precepts of this Board, as follows—

NAME OF PARISH, DISTRICT, OR PART.	Total Amount of rate.	Collected and paid to Treasurer.			Uncollected, 30th June, 1865.
		Already reported, to 25th March, 1865.	Amounts between 25th March, 1865, and 30th June, 1865.	Total to 30th June, 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Chiswick, 9th June, 1858, at 1s. 4d. .	1,147 1 4	97 0 0	...	97 0 0	1,050 1 4
Woolwich, 11th November, 1859, at 1d.	304 3 3¾	272 5 10	...	272 5 10	31 17 5¾
Woolwich, 11th November, 1859, at 4d. (Main Drainage)	1,216 13 3	1,046 0 0	...	1,046 0 0	170 13 3
Woolwich, 27th July, 1860, at 1¼d. (whole Parish) . . .	377 15 1½	310 0 0	...	310 0 0	67 15 1½
Ditto, ditto, at 4d. (Main Drainage) .	1,208 14 7	1,044 0 0	...	1,044 0 0	164 14 7
Chiswick, 21st March, 1861, at 9d. .	646 14 6	64 0 0	...	64 0 0	582 14 6
Woolwich, 13th December, 1861, at 2d.	626 6 10	262 0 0	...	262 0 0	364 6 10
Carried forward . £	5,527 8 11¼	3,095 5 10		3,095 5 10	2,432 3 1¼

Name of Parish, District, or Part.	Total Amount of rate.	Collected and paid to Treasurer.			Uncollected, 30th June, 1865.
		Already reported, to 25th March, 1865.	Amounts between 25th March, 1865, and 30th June, 1865.	Total to 30th June, 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - - -	5,527 8 11¼	3,095 5 10	...	3,095 5 10	2,432 3 1¼
Battersea, 4th July, 1862, at 3¾d. (Main Drainage)	1,426 13 7	1,170 0 0	...	1,170 0 0	256 13 7
Battersea, 19th June, 1863, at 3¾d., (M.D.)	1,584 12 0	1,246 0 0	...	1,246 0 0	338 12 0
St. Marylebone, 12th August, 1863, (E.D.W.S.) at 2d.	1,491 6 3	1,406 10 6	...	1,406 10 6	84 15 9
Ditto ,, (W.D.W.S.) at 3d.	7,440 11 9	7,023 4 4	22 10 0	7,045 14 4	394 17 5
Ditto ,, (R.D.) at 1d. .	670 0 11	464 16 2	22 10 0	487 6 2	182 14 9
Ditto ,, (R.S.D.) at 2d. .	576 10 2	543 14 10	...	543 14 10	32 15 4
Ditto ,, (H.D.) at 1d. .	9 2 1	8 3 5	...	8 3 5	0 18 8
Fulham, 10th February, 1864, (F. & H.) at 2d., 1858	213 8 4	168 15 2	25 4 4	193 19 6	19 8 10
Fulham, 10th February, 1864 (F. & H.) at 5d., 1859	533 10 10	453 14 8	31 4 2	484 18 10	48 12 0
Ditto ,, (whole) at 1½d., 1860	363 16 6	294 9 5	20 3 10	314 13 3	49 3 3
Ditto ,, (F. & H.) at 5d., 1860	533 10 10	434 11 3	50 7 7	484 18 10	48 12 0
Ditto ,, (whole) at 2d., 1861	485 2 6	353 2 1	66 9 5	419 11 6	65 11 0
Ditto ,, (F. & H.) at 6d., 1861	640 5 0	556 19 9	24 18 10	581 18 7	58 6 5
Ditto ,, (whole) at 1½d., 1862	363 16 6	309 1 0	5 17 9	314 18 9	48 17 9
Ditto ,, (C.C.) at ½d., 1862 .	67 18 5	49 19 6	6 8 2	56 7 8	11 10 9
Ditto ,, (F. & H.) at 6d., 1862	640 5 0	527 9 9	55 10 10	583 0 7	57 4 5
Ditto ,, (whole) at 2½d., 1863	606 7 9	505 1 4	20 1 0	525 2 4	81 5 5
Ditto ,, (C.C.) at ½d., 1863 .	67 18 5	40 0 0	16 7 8	56 7 8	11 10 9
Ditto ,, (F. & H.) at 4d., 1863	426 16 8	350 9 7	38 10 10	389 0 5	37 16 3
St. George, Hanover Square, 3rd June 1864, (Main Drainage) at 3½d. . .	12,135 1 8	11,695 0 0	132 4 0	11,827 4 0	307 17 8
St. George, Hanover Square, 19th July, 1864. (whole) at 3½d.	12,135 1 8	11,696 0 0	127 15 2	11,823 15 2	311 6 6
Ditto ,, (W.D.W.S.) at ¼d., 1864	698 5 2	636 0 0	40 9 11	676 9 11	21 15 3
Ditto ,, (R.D.) at ¼d., 1864 .	164 3 8	147 0 0	16 13 5	163 13 5	0 10 3
Acton, at 9d., 1856, 30th January, 1865,	528 10 8	308 16 4	...	308 16 4	219 14 4
Ditto, at 6d., 1857, ,, .	352 7 7	179 10 7	...	179 10 7	172 17 0
Carried forward . . £	49,682 12 10¼	43,663 15 6	723 6 11	44,387 2 5	5,295 10 5¼

Name of Parish, District, or Part.	Total Amount of rate.	Collected and paid to Treasurer.			Uncollected, 30th June, 1865.
		Already reported, to 25th March, 1865.	Amounts between 25th March, 1865, and 30th June, 1865.	Total to 30th June, 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	49,682 12 10¼	43,663 15 6	723 6 11	44,387 2 5	5,295 10 5¼
Acton, at 5d., 1858, ,, .	293 12 3	118 17 5	...	118 17 5	174 14 10
Ditto, at 5d., 1859, ,, .	293 12 3	9 9 1	...	9 9 1	284 3 2
Ditto, at 5d., 1860, ,, .	293 12 3	2 12 1	...	2 12 1	291 0 2
Ditto, at 5d., 1861, ,, .	293 12 3	1 2 7	...	1 2 7	292 9 8
Ditto, at 5d., 1862, ,, .	293 12 3	0 7 4	...	0 7 4	293 4 11
Ditto, at 5d., 1863, ,, .	234 18 5	0 5 4	...	0 5 4	234 13 1
Ditto, at 5d., 1864, ,, .	293 12 3	1 12 11	...	1 12 11	291 19 4
St. George, Hanover Square, 9th June, 1865, at 4d., (Main Drainage) .	14,137 19 4	...	...	...	14,137 19 4
Lincoln's Inn, 30th June, 1865, at 3½d.	253 5 1	...	...	...	253 5 1
Inner Temple, 30th June, 1865, at 3½d.	291 11 3	...	...	...	291 11 3
Total . . £	66,362 0 5¼	43,798 2 3	723 6 11	44,521 9 2	21,840 11 3¼

Resolved—That the Report be received.

56. The Clerk laid before the Board a Report on the state of the Collection of Improvement Rates and Charges for Default, to the 30th June, 1865, of which the following are the totals—

Total Charge.	Collected in respect of			Interest.	Total.	Excused.	Uncollected, 25th March, 1865.
	Charges for Default.	Improvement Rates.	Total.				
£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
10,865 14 10	3,954 1 1	4,169 2 5	8,123 3 6	548 8 2	8,671 11 8	607 17 1	2,134 14 3

57. Resolved—That the said Report be received.

Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Samuel Noble, on behalf of Mr. Stevens, for the consent of the Board to the modification and correction of an error in a Plan already approved by the Board, for erecting a shop in front of his premises, No. 1, Woodland-terrace, Trafalgar-road, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the corner of the shop next Woodland-street be well rounded, or splayed, and that the erection in other respects

be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. Ricketts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Coach-maker's show-room, on part of the fore-court of Claremont House, Claremont-square, Clerkenwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that a wall be built to separate the proposed building from the premises adjoining, Westward; that the front and back, as well as the Eastern side, be constructed with iron columns, to carry a roof, to be covered with fire proof materials, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Cade, for the consent of the Board to the erection of nine houses on the Western side of Harder's-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed frontage be kept to a straight line produced from the frontage of the existing houses, Southward, to the corner of the nearest proposed house, Northward; that the rest of the frontage, from such point, be kept parallel with the public way; that the three centre houses do not project above 14 inches beyond such line, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd August, 1865, on the application of the Reverend R. M. Willcox, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Chapel and two houses with shops, in the Lewisham-road, New Cross, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. Love, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bow-windows to nine houses in Vernon-road, Old Ford, and also for permission to construct eaves to the houses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the party-walls be corbelled out to stop the continuity of the eaves between the houses, and that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the appli-

cation of Mr. William Foster, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the corner of Canterbury-road and Stanstead-lane, Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that Stanstead-lane be widened, in the part in question, to forty feet; that the fronts of the new houses be at least eighteen feet back from the margin of the road, when so widened, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a tavern and shop adjoining, at the corner of Woodbine-grove and Maple-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed new building next Maple-road be set back, so as to correspond with the other houses in the immediate vicinity, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Day, and Messrs. Jordan and Hughes, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of the houses, Nos. 14, 15, and 16, Shakspeare-terrace, Holloway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be not granted.

65. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. W. Goodman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony-verandah and staircase to an out-building, at Airlie-lodge, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the verandah be covered with fire-proof materials, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, with reference to the application of Mr. Richard Mears, for the approval of a Plan for the erection of houses in High-street, Homerton, considered by the Board on the 7th July last, (No. 18); stating that an error had arisen in the condition annexed to the consent of the Board, directing that the houses at the East end should be set back 10 feet from the "old boundary wall," instead of "from the line of the foot-way curb," and recommending that the consent of the Board should be altered accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved *unanimously*—That the resolution of the Board of the 7th July last, (No. 18), be not acted upon; that the application of Mr. Richard Mears, for the approval by the

Board of a Plan for the erection of houses in High-street, Homerton, be granted, on condition that the houses at the East end of the street be set back 10 feet from the line of the footway curb, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hill and Rogers, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft, at their premises, Beulah House, South Lambeth.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Bramwell, on behalf of Mr. Larby, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a Currier's drying-shed, in Queen's-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. H. Griffith, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an iron workshop at No. 1, Union-road, Clapham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted, on condition that the iron standards of the proposed building be rivetted to the top and bottom angle iron rails, and that the work be put together under the supervision of the District Surveyor.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd August, 1865, stating that during the months of June and July, the respective sums of £12 15s. and £12 were received in respect of fees, on applications for the approval of Special Buildings under Section 56 of the Building Act, and that the amount had been paid to the Treasurer of the Board.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Frederick Collier, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a new road through his estate between Balham and Upper Tooting, and of the name Balham-park for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That so much of the application as relates to the formation of the proposed road, be granted, but that so much as relates to the proposed name be not acceded to, and that the applicant be requested to submit another name, not now in use in the metropolis.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Henry Woodham, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a cottage at the rear of his gardens, No. 8 and 9, Field-place, Larkhall-lane, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed cottage be so placed as to form one side of the proposed new road, shown on the Plan.

73. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th July, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Dickens, on behalf of Mr. Alexander Rolls, for the approval by the Board

of a Plan for the formation of two new streets on his estate at Bermondsey, and that the name "Mack's-road," of which one of such streets would be a continuation, should be applied to such new street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted.

74. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four roads, to two of which, being continuations of existing roads, named Mostyn-road and Lothian-road, it was proposed to apply those names, and of the names "Elliot-road," and "Treherne-road" for the remaining roads.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the name of "Mostyn-road," be continued to the road proposed to be called Treherne-road.

75. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Sir Charles Fox and Son, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for forming the Southern side of Little Thames-street, Greenwich, by building Industrial Dwellings on the land between Bridge-street and Little Thames-street.

It was moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

76. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. C. Bunkell, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of roads on the Poynder Estate, Westward of the Caledonian-road, Islington.

It was moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

77. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. H. Page, for the approval by the Board of a building line for the erection of buildings in St. Ann's-hill-road, Wandsworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Pew—That the applicant be informed that the road must be widened to 40 feet, before the building lines can be approved.

78. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. J. and A. Stroud, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a new road on the Highbury Grange Estate, Islington.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Pew—That the application be granted, on condition that the narrow lane, called Newington-turning, be widened to 20 feet, if it be intended to build on its Southern side.

79. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Cohen, for the re-numbering of the houses in Love-walk, Camberwell.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

80. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Goodman, for the re-numbering of houses in Alma-road, Upper Holloway.

It was moved by Mr. Pew, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Vestry of Islington be requested to suggest another name for the thoroughfare, the present name being already in use in the Parish.

81. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th July, 1685, prepared pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 21st July last (No. 32), relative to the falling down of the houses, Nos. 67 and 68, Chandos-street, Covent-garden.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

82. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Lambert, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the India-rubber-works, Charles-street, Goswell-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the shaft be found to be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, upright, sound, and fit to be raised.

83. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Godwin, Surveyor of the District of the Southern Division of Islington, for the approval of the appointment, by him, of Mr. Sidney Godwin as his Deputy, for six weeks from this date.

Resolved and ordered—That the application be granted, and that this Board do consent to the appointment of Mr. Sidney Godwin, by Mr. George Godwin, as his Deputy, and for the performance of the duties of District Surveyor in the District of the Southern Division of Islington, for six weeks from this date.

84. Read a joint Report by the Superintending Architect and the Solicitor, dated 1st August, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board, of the 28th July last, (No. 72), on the correspondence between the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, and Messrs. Gwynne and Company, and the facts relative to the condition and width of Lombard-road, Battersea, as it may be affected by their iron factory works; and recommending that the Local Board be informed that this Board do not consider the law applies to Lombard-road, in its present condition.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the substance thereof be communicated to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District.

85. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry E. Jones, on behalf of the Putney Gas Light Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises at Wandsworth.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

86. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the letter of Mr. E. L. Burnett, on behalf of the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, relative to the naming and re-numbering of streets at Lee, in accordance with their applications to the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the District Board be informed that in the majority of the cases referred to, the streets are not completely built upon, that the numbers cannot therefore be satisfactorily adjusted until the buildings are finished, and that after the recess, those streets, in which the houses are in a condition to be re-numbered, will be disposed of.

87. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th August, 1865, on the claim of £449, by Mr. Henry Fawcett, Undertaker and Carman, for removal of business, and leasehold

interest in premises, in Labour-in-vain-yard, Lambeth-hill, Upper Thames-street, required for the new Street to the Mansion House, stating that the claim was fair and reasonable; that the premises had been recently destroyed by fire, but were in course of restoration, and that the settlement of the claim, and the acquisition of the claimant's interest, would enable the Board, by the receipt of the amount for which the property was insured, viz., £200, to re-coup themselves a considerable portion of the purchase-money.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Pew, and

Resolved—That the Superintending Architect be authorized to settle the claim, at a sum not exceeding £449, on condition that the Board receive the £200 Insurance.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That a Cheque for the said sum of £449, be now drawn; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, accordingly.

83. The following Notices of Motion were given for the Meeting of the Board on the 22nd September next—

By Mr. Robert Taylor, (No. 250)—For reference to Building Act, &c., Committee, to report generally, on the payment of District Surveyors, by Fees, &c.

By Mr. Brushfield, (No. 251)—For considering the subject of the terms upon which Gas, &c., Companies, may be permitted to use the Subways.

Adjourned until Friday, the 22nd September next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock, at noon.

No. 33.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **September**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq,
Benjamin Dixon, Esq,	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	James Pew, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.		

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 4th August last, were approved, and signed by the Chairman, and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. This being the day appointed by the Board on the 4th August last, (No. 27), for opening Tenders for re-constructing, deepening, and otherwise improving the Earl, Duffield, and Battle Bridge Main Sewers, the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

The Engineer's Estimate for the works, amounting to £90,000, was handed to the Chairman.

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

The following Tenders were then opened—

Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street, Hackney-road - - - - - - -	£88,500
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington Cross - - -	90,000
Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road -	94,400
Mr. E. Thirst, John-street, Chelsea - - - -	99,959
Mr. William Webster, No. 8, St. Martin's-place, Trafalgar-square	102,000

Resolved—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee, for the consideration of the above-mentioned Tenders, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **September**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis.

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	
	William Clark, Esq.	

1. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Committee of the Whole Board.

Spring Gardens,
22nd September, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the several Tenders, opened this day, for re-constructing, deepening, and otherwise improving the Earl, Duffield, and Battle Bridge Main Sewers, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. W. Dethick, for the execution of the works in question, for the sum of £88,500, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. William Dethick, for the execution of the works for re-constructing, deepening, and otherwise improving the Earl, Duffield, and Battle Bridge Main Sewers, for the sum of £88,500, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Dethick was then called in, and informed of the foregoing Resolution.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That, as the estimated cost of the above-mentioned works, is a sum exceeding £20,000, the several Resolutions of the Board of the 30th June, 1865, (No. 3), 7th July, 1865, (No. 3), 21st July, 1865, (No. 8), and 4th August, 1865, (No. 27), approving the execution of the works, and of the Plans and Specification for the same, be, and they are hereby, confirmed.

2. Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor presented a Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that an opportunity having presented itself, by the rebuilding of the houses, Nos. 8, and 35 and 36, Throgmorton-street, for the widening of that thoroughfare, they had arranged for the setting back of those premises, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Memorial, at the following sums, namely—at No. 8, £180, and at Nos. 35 and 36, £3,900, and requesting the Board to contribute towards such cost.

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Architect do report thereon to that Committee.

3. Mr. Dixon stated he had been requested to ask permission for the Members of the Limehouse District Board of Works to visit the Pumping Station at Crossness, on Wednesday next, and that an officer of this Board might be in attendance on the occasion, to attend the visitors.

Resolved—That the request of the Limehouse District Board of Works be complied with; and the Engineer was instructed accordingly.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
20th September, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 19th September, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 19th September, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	27,146 18 0	120,000 0 0	147,146 18 0	.....	2,011 6 6	2,963 16 4	4,975 2 10
Covent Garden Approach	553 12 6	.....	553 12 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	2,920 10 0	.....	2,920 10 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	128 13 11	.....	128 13 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	3,693 0 2	.....	3,693 0 2	.....	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
£	34,524 19 1	120,000 0 0	154,524 19 1	.....	2,016 6 6	2,968 16 4	4,985 2 10
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	71,175 19 6	.....	71,175 19 6	.....	.....	25,988 0 0	25,988 0 0
Main Drainage Advances	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Thames Embankment (North)	266,259 8 2	.....	266,259 8 2	.....	165 13 9	11,503 14 4	11,669 8 1
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	18,198 11 0	.....	.....	.....
£	371,960 6 9	120,000 0 0	491,960 6 9	18,198 11 0	2,182 0 3	40,460 10 8	42,642 10 11

Your Committee have had before them the following Statements, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED between 1st August, and 19th September, 1865—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Precepts—	*General Account.*		
Westminster District	£2,801 3 6		
St. Olave District	1,508 7 9		
Shoreditch, St. Leonard's	3,149 16 2		
St. James, Westminster	3,843 2 7		
		11,302 10 0	
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square		1,954 0 0	
Expenses of Collecting Sewage—Messrs. Hope and Napier		320 0 0	
Plans, &c., sold		18 0 0	
Fees under Sale of Gas Acts		72 15 0	
			13,667 5 0
	Covent Garden Approach.		
Rents—per J. Gotto			81 13 4
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
Rents—per J. Gotto			122 18 4
	Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square			2,861 0 0
	Thames Embankment, North.		
Return from Court of Chancery		6,400 0 0	
Rents, per J. Gotto		822 13 0	
Plans, &c., sold		20 0 0	
Commissioners for Reduction of National Debt		100,000 0 0	
			107,242 13 0
TOTAL			£123,975 9 8

Your Committee have examined the certificates of the Engineer and Accountant for the payment to the Contractors and other persons, of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £9,056 12s. 5d., be paid.

Your Committee have also to report that a further sum of £50,000 will become due to the Bank of England on the 1st October next, being the second instalment of the Loan of £400,000 obtained from the Bank in 1858, for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach, and the Southwark and Westminster Communication. Your Committee have had their attention directed to the means of providing for this payment, and the course which they consider best is, that the whole of the New 3 per Cents., standing in the name of the Board, and amounting to £18,198 11s. 0d., be sold, and the proceeds applied towards this object; that the remainder be paid out of the General Current Account of the Board, to be re-imbursed, with interest, on the sale of the land. To enable the amount to be paid out of the General Account, it will be necessary to transfer the sum of £25,000 from the General Deposit to the Current Account. Your Committee beg to recommend this course for adoption.

Your Committee have further to report that Messrs. Smith and Eustace, the persons appointed by your Honorable Board to make and collect the Rates on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the amount of the Precept for the ordinary expenses of the Board, for the year 1865, have applied for the usual remuneration for their services. Your Committee have considered their application, and having ascertained that the work that has fallen upon those persons, in respect of the making and collection of the Rates for the present year, is the same as on former occasions, they recommend—

That Mr. Joseph Smith and Mr. Edwin Eustace be paid for collecting the Rates made on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the expenses of the Board for the year 1865, by poundage, at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the amount collected, 50 per cent. of such poundage to be paid monthly, and the remainder on the closing of the rates; and that the sum of £10 each be paid to the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, in consideration of additional duties performed by them, in connection with the making of the said rates.

Your Committee have also to report that, in conformity with the standing order of the Board, of the 20th July, 1860, they have considered the subject of the Precepts for the Main Drainage Rate for the year 1865-6, and have had laid before them Extracts from the County Rate bases for the Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent, and Extracts from the Sewers Rate for the City of London, the Liberty Rate of the Tower of London, and the City Police Rate, which said extracts they beg to submit for the information and approval of your Honorable Board. In doing so, your Committee beg to call attention to the increase that has taken place in the annual value of the property rateable, since the issue of the first Main Drainage Precepts, in 1859. The Precepts in that year were based upon an annual value of £12,031,151, and the sum raised was £150,389 7s. 9d. The rental of the Metropolis for the purposes of the Assessments of the Board is now £14,524,797, which at 3d. in the pound will produce, for the Main Drainage Rate for the year ending August, 1866, the sum of £181,559 19s. 3d., being an increase in the rate in seven years of £31,170 11s. 6d., or more than one-fifth. Your Committee have also had before them a statement prepared by the Officers of the Board, shewing the annual value of the property in the City of London, and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, based upon the above-mentioned County and other rates, together with the sums to be assessed thereon, in respect of the Metropolis Main Drainage Rate for the year ending 1st August, 1866, a copy of which has been sent to each Member of your Honorable Board, and they now submit the same for approval, and recommend—

That the Board do pass the necessary Orders for making an Assessment upon the City of London and the other parts of the Metropolis, for the Metropolis Main Drainage Rate, for the year ending 1st August, 1866, and that Precepts be sealed and issued.

Your Committee have also, pursuant to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 28th October last, (No. 7), again directed their attention to the advisability of opening Accounts at the Bank of England for the New Street from Blackfriars-bridge to the Mansion House and the Southern Embankment. Payments in respect of these accounts have hitherto been made out of the Thames Embankment (North) Account. Your Committee think the time has arrived when the Accounts should be opened at the Bank of England, and they accordingly recommend that course for adoption, and that it be referred back to them to take all the necessary steps for that purpose.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	General Account.		
HAYWOOD, W., C.E.—			
(1-6435)	Professional Charges, *re* Metropolitan Railway Company	115 0 0	
IND, COOPE AND CO.—			
(1-6436)	Expenses, *re* Survey of Works - - -	13 4 0	
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—			
(1-6437)	August, 1864 - - - - -	12 19 3	
THWAITES, SIR JOHN, Chairman—			
(1-6438)	One Quarter's Salary, due Michaelmas, 1865 - -	500 0 0	
OFFICERS' SALARIES, &c., Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865—			
	(*Quarterly List*).		
(1-6439)	Pollard, J., Clerk of the Board - 200 0 0		
(1-6440)	Cresy, E., Principal Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department - - 118 15 0		
(1-6441)	Hughes, E., Accountant - - 150 0 0		
(1-6442)	Brune, F. D., 1st Clerk, Accountant's Department - - - 65 0 0		
(1-6443)	Bazalgette, J. W., Engineer - - 425 0 0		
(1-6444)	Lovick, T., Assistant Engineer - 175 0 0		
(1-6445)	Grant, J., ditto - - 175 0 0		
(1-6446)	Cooper, E., ditto - - 175 0 0		
(1-6447)	Campion, G., Engineer's Accountant - 60 0 0		
(1-6448)	Morley, H. R., 3rd Clerk, Engineer's Department - - - 45 0 0		
(1-6449)	Gunyon, T., Superintending Draughtsman 100 0 0		
(1-6450)	Walker, W., Clerk of Works - - 40 19 0		
(1-6451)	Lloyd, J. T., ditto - - 40 19 0		
(1-6452)	Fry, T. W., ditto - - 40 19 0		
(1-6453)	Garnham, W., ditto - - 40 19 0		
(1-6454)	Bennett, J., ditto - - 40 19 0		
(1-6455)	Vulliamy, G., Superintending Architect 250 0 0		
(1-6456)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Clerk, Superintending Architect's Department - 75 0 0		
(1-6457)	Hart, H., Surveyor - ditto - 75 0 0		
(1-6458)	Smith, W. W., Solicitor - - 312 10 0		
(1 6459)	Tayler, W., Assistant Clerk, Solicitor's Department - - - 50 0 0		
(1-6460)	Airey, H., Gas Meter Inspector - 50 0 0		
(1-6461)	Dethridge, G., ditto - - 50 0 0		
(1-6462)	Mills, G., ditto - - 50 0 0		
(1-6463)	Gotto, J., Bailiff - - 37 10 0		
(1-6464)	Boggis, G. E., and Wife, Housekeeper 45 0 0		
		2,888 10 0	
	Carried forward	£3,529 13 3	

(*Monthly List Balances*).

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Brought forward				3,529	13	3
	Wakefield, J. E. Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department - - -	£20	0	0			
	Pocock, C. F. do. ,,	20	0	0			
	Andrews, W. P. do. ,,	18	6	8			
	De la Hooke, H. do. ,,	12	10	0			
	Humphrey, J. C. do. ,,	10	0	0			
	Estlin, J. do. ,,	8	15	0			
	Bevan, N. do. ,,	8	15	0			
	Link, G. E. do. ,,	8	15	0			
	Link, W. do. ,,	7	10	0			
	Edwards, H., 2nd Clerk, Accountant's Department - - -	13	2	6			
	Whitworth, E., 3rd Clerk ,, -	10	8	4			
	Hall, W. C., Assistant Clerk, ,, -	14	15	0			
	Doggett, E., Jun., ditto ,, -	5	13	4			
	Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates and Assessments - - -	25	0	0			
	Conquest, W., 1st Clerk, Engineer's Department - - -	20	0	0			
	Gibson, T., 2nd ,, ,, -	20	0	0			
	Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, ,, -	8	6	8			
	McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman ,, -	20	0	0			
	Groves, W. ,, ,, -	16	13	4			
	Hunter, R. J. ,, ,, -	16	2	6			
	McDougall, J., Surveyor ,, ,, -	14	17	6			
	Crook, W., Draughtsman ,, -	14	17	6			
	Rumble, R. A. ,, ,, -	14	5	6			
(1-6465)	Crane, W. ,, ,, -	13	12	6			
	Lemon, J. ,, ,, -	13	12	6			
	Waldeck, J. F. ,, ,, -	13	12	6			
	Chellingworth, T. T. ,, ,, -	13	12	6			
	Bell, J. ,, ,, -	11	5	0			
	Groves, S. ,, ,, -	11	5	0			
	Dickins, C., Assistant Clerk ,, -	5	6	8			
	Anderson, C., Clerk of Works ,, -	13	13	0			
	Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector ,, -	8	6	8			
	Porter, G. ,, ,, -	8	6	8			
	Lovegrove, J. ,, ,, -	8	6	8			
	Wilkins, J. W. ,, ,, -	8	6	8			
	Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper ,, -	8	6	8			
	Fernley, G. ,, ,, -	4	13	4			
	Mortlock, J. J. ,, ,, -	2	18	4			
	Moorcroft, J. ,, ,, -	6	13	4			
	Moorcroft, W. ,, ,, -	5	8	4			
	Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Superintending Architect's Department ,, -	20	16	8			
	Britton, T. A., Surveyor ,, -	16	13	4			
	Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman ,, -	10	8	4			
	Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk ,, -	16	13	4			
	Pape, J. ,, ,, -	12	10	0			
	White, C. W. ,, ,, -	10	8	4			
	Chapman, W. ,, ,, -	9	18	4			
	Welsh, R. ,, ,, -	9	3	4			
	Knight, W. H. ,, ,, -	9	1	8			
	Carried forward -	£601	13	6	3,529	13	3

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	601 13 6	3,529 13 3	- - -
	Compton, C. H., Assistant Clerk, Solicitor's Department - -	35 8 4		
	Hogarth, R. ,, ,, -	25 0 0		
	Fry, C. ,, ,, -	15 0 0		
	Hertslet, L. F. ,, ,, -	8 6 8		
	Holland, T., Record Room Keeper ,, -	9 3 4		
			694 11 10	
	Sluice-keepers' List.			
	Kelly, J., Sluice-keeper - -	£2 10 0		
	Pikesley, J., ,, - -	10 0 0		
(1-6466)	Spake, J., ,, - -	16 5 0		
	Broughton, W. A., ,, - -	5 0 0		
	Lester, G., ,, - -	16 5 0		
			50 0 0	

Officers' Retiring Allowances, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865.

(*Granted by the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.*)

(1-6467)	Budd, B., late Laborer in trust -	£13 6 8	
(1-6468)	Roe, J., ,, Surveyor -	50 0 0	
(1-6469)	Unwin, J. W., ,, Clerk - -	30 0 0	
(1-6470)	Sweetlove, J., ,, Wallreve -	5 12 0	
			98 18 8

Officers' Compensation Allowances, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865.

(*Officers of Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.*)

(1-6471)	Taylor, G., late Collector -	£28 2 6	
(1-6472)	Quarrell, J., ,, Clerk of Works -	19 5 11	
(1-6473)	Muller, D. G., ,, Collector -	11 17 6	
(1-6474)	Head, T., ,, ,, - -	14 16 3	
(1-6475)	Phillips, B., ,, ,, - -	18 10 0	
(1-6476)	Pollard, Ann ,, Housekeeper -	12 10 0	
(1-6477)	Barnett, H., ,, Collector -	7 13 9	
(1-6478)	Hopwood, R., ,, District Clerk -	13 0 5	
(1-6479)	Dowley, J. H., ,, Assistant Clerk -	6 16 6	
(1-6480)	Saywell, R., ,, Collector -	6 2 6	
			138 15 4

(*Officers of the late Metropolitan Buildings Office.*)

(1-6481)	Lower, E. W., late Surveyor -	£41 13 4	
(1-6482)	Benson, W., ,, Surveying Clerk -	22 10 0	
(1-6483)	Bursill, W. F., ,, Lithographer -	13 0 0	
(1-6484)	Squires, G. H., ,, Extra Clerk, &c. -	7 11 6	
(1-6485)	Brooks, J., ,, Office Keeper, &c. -	6 5 0	
			90 19 10

Hatton, G. S., late Accountant—

(1-6486)	One Quarter's Retiring Allowance, due Michaelmas, 1865	62 10 0

Weekly Wages—

(1-6487)	Week ending 2nd August, 1865 -	£89 15 6	
	,, 9th ,, ,, -	97 7 0	
	,, 16th ,, ,, -	96 18 1	
	,, 23rd ,, ,, -	109 8 6	
	,, 30th ,, ,, -	111 8 2	
	,, 6th September ,, -	115 16 10	
	,, 13th ,, ,, -	121 5 10	
			741 19 11
			5,407 8 10
	Carried forward	- -	£5,407 8 10

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	- -	5,407 8 10
	Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—			
(6-136)	August, 1865 - - - - - -	- -	19 3 9
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
GRIFFITH, W. H.—			
(8-1888)	Bill for removal and re-erection of Engine House, from Norman Road, Greenwich, to Cremorne Road, Chelsea, for Western Sewers Extension -	135 18 0	
MUIR, W., AND Co.—			
(8-1889)	Bill for Lathe and Tools, for Deptford Pumping Station	116 15 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1890)	Week ending 2nd August, 1865 - £96 13 8		
	,, 9th ,, ,, - 98 2 0		
	,, 16th ,, ,, - 94 8 2		
	,, 23rd ,, ,, - 90 6 3		
	,, 30th ,, ,, - 94 9 1		
	,, 6th September ,, - 95 8 8		
	,, 13th ,, ,, - 88 18 0		
		658 5 10	
ROTHWELL AND Co.—			
(8-1891)	On account of Contract for Engines for Abbey Mills Pumping Station - - -	2,500 0 0	
			3,410 18 10
	Thames Embankment, North.		
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-664)	Week ending 2nd August, 1865 - - -	£32 19 0	
	,, 9th ,, ,, - - -	32 16 6	
	,, 16th ,, ,, - - -	32 6 0	
	,, 23rd ,, ,, - - -	30 7 6	
	,, 30th ,, ,, - - -	30 7 6	
	,, 6th September - - -	30 7 6	
	,, 13th ,, ,, - - -	29 17 0	
			219 1 0
	TOTAL - -		£9,056 12 5

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
E. COLLINSON.
EDW. SHEPHERD.
W. CLARK.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £9,056 12s. 5d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the sum of £25,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That, for the purpose of paying off the second instalment, due on the 1st of October next, amounting to £50,000, of the loan of £400,000 from the Bank of England for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication, the whole of the New Three per Cent. Annuities now standing in the name of the Board in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, amounting to £18,198 11s. 0d., be sold, and that the remainder of the amount be paid out of the General Current Account of the Board, and be re-imbursed, together with interest thereon, on the sale of the land.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Joseph Smith and Mr. Edwin Eustace be paid for collecting the Rates made on the Parish of St. George, Hanover Square, for the expenses of the Board for the year 1865, by poundage, at the rate of 2½ per cent. on the amount collected, 50 per cent. of such poundage to be paid monthly, and the remainder on the closing of the rates; and that the sum of £10 each be paid to the said Joseph Smith and Edwin Eustace, in consideration of additional duties performed by them in connection with the making of the said Rates.

The Clerk laid before the Board the statement, referred to in the Report of the Committee, shewing the annual value of the property in the City of London, and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," based upon the County Rate bases for the respective Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent, and also based upon the following Rates relating to the parts within the said Metropolis in which there is no County Rate, as follows—

Parts.	Rates.
City of London - - -	Sewers Rate for the City of London,
Liberty of Her Majesty's Tower of London	Liberty Rate of Tower of London,
Middle Temple and Inner Temple -	City Police Rate,

and which Rates are made according to a like basis.

The Board having examined and considered the said Statement,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the rateable annual value of the property in the City of London, and the other parts of the Metropolis, for the purposes of the assessment by this Board for the Metropolis Main Drainage Rate, for the year ending 1st August, 1866, as hereinafter set forth, the same being estimated according to the estimate, or basis on which the County Rate is assessed, or according to a like estimate, pursuant to the said statement, and pursuant to the said Act, and the Acts for amending the same, be approved and adopted, viz.—

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.		Annual Value of Property.	
		£	£
City of London		—	1,411,110
Saint Marylebone		—	1,053,748
Saint Pancras		—	925,872
Lambeth		—	637,000
Saint George, Hanover-square		—	1,076,272
Saint Mary, Islington		—	777,632
Saint Leonard, Shoreditch		—	386,044
Paddington		—	758,344
Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green		—	192,116
Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey		—	240,000
Camberwell		—	250,000
Saint James, Westminster		—	462,032
Saint James and St. John, Clerkenwell		—	242,524
Chelsea		—	299,868
Saint Mary Abbotts, Kensington		—	501,132
Saint Luke, Middlesex		—	186,452
Saint George the Martyr, Southwark		—	146,000
Bermondsey		—	150,000
Saint George-in-the-East		—	196,917
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields		—	265,336
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town		—	191,056
Woolwich		—	83,000
Rotherhithe		—	83,500
Saint John, Hampstead		—	147,624
Whitechapel District	St. Mary, Whitechapel	127,385	
	Christchurch, Spitalfields	47,636	
	St. Botolph-without, Aldgate	44,920	
	Holy Trinity, Minories	6,667	
	Precinct of St. Katherine	17,272	
	Hamlet of Mile End New Town	15,660	
	Liberty of Norton Folgate	8,952	
	Old Artillery Ground	4,670	
	District of the Tower	3,368	
			276,530
Westminster District	St. Margaret St. John the Evangelist	—	339,660
Greenwich District	St. Paul, Deptford, including Hatcham	127,736	
	St. Nicholas, Deptford	16,000	
	Greenwich	125,300	
			269,036
Wandsworth District	Clapham	107,000	
	Tooting Graveney	9,800	
	Streatham	56,800	
	St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge	83,800	
	Wandsworth	58,000	
	Putney, including Roehampton	46,000	
			361,400
Hackney District	Hackney	323,192	
	St. Mary, Stoke Newington	47,424	
			370,616
	Carried forward £	.	12,280,821

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.		Annual Value of Property.	
		£	£
	Brought forward		12,280,821
St. Giles District	St. Giles-in-the-Fields	—	277,412
	St. George, Bloomsbury		
Holborn District	St. Andrew, Holborn above Bars	141,280	
	St. George-the-Martyr		
	St. Sepulchre, in the County of Middlesex	17,488	
	Saffron-hill, Hatton-garden, Ely-rents, and Ely-place (except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London)	31,697	
	Liberty of Glasshouse-yard (except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London)	4,154	
			194,619
Strand District	St. Anne Soho	96,236	
	St. Paul Covent Garden	49,020	
	St. John-the-Baptist Savoy, or Precinct of the Savoy	9,112	
	St. Mary-le-strand	17,956	
	St. Clement Danes	95,676	
	Liberty of the Rolls	18,808	
			286,808
Fulham District	St. Peter and St. Paul, Hammersmith	104,928	
	Fulham	66,948	
			171,876
Limehouse District	St. Anne Limehouse	87,844	
	St. John Wapping	42,556	
	St. Paul Shadwell	42,648	
	Hamlet of Ratcliffe	61,560	
			234,608
Poplar District	All Saints Poplar	212,112	
	St. Mary Stratford-le-Bow	48,796	
	St. Leonard Bromley	83,412	
			344,320
St. Saviour's District	Christchurch	63,000	
	St. Saviour, including the Liberty of the Clink	101,000	
			164,000
Plumstead District	Charlton next Woolwich	42,358	
	Plumstead	51,250	
	Eltham	18,287	
	Lee	49,705	
	Kidbrook	11,646	
			173,246
Lewisham District	Lewisham, including Sydenham Chapelry	170,882	
	Hamlet of Penge	43,800	
			214,682
St. Olave's District	St. Olave	58,000	
	St. Thomas, Southwark	4,700	
	St. John, Horsleydown	48,000	
			110,700
	Carried forward	£	14,453,092

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, &c.	Annual Value of Property.	
	£	£
Brought forward	. .	14,453,692
The Charter-house	1,948	
Gray's-inn	12,652	
		14,600
		14,467,692
The Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter . .	1,456	
Inner Temple	19,993	
Middle Temple	13,000	
Lincoln's-inn	17,244	
Staple-inn	2,248	
Furnival's-inn	3,164	57,105
TOTAL .	. . £	14,524,797

Resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That this Board do now make an Assessment upon the City of London, and the other parts of the Metropolis, for the "Metropolis Main Drainage Rate," for the year ending the 1st August, 1866, in manner following, that is to say—

An Assessment by the Metropolitan Board of Works, in exercise of the powers vested in such Board, by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," and the Acts for amending the same, upon the City of London and the other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the said Metropolis Management Act, 1855, for the "Metropolis Main Drainage Rate," for the year ending the 1st August, 1866, of the sums hereinafter specified, such sums being, in the judgment of the said Board, equivalent to a rate of 3d. in the pound upon the annual value of the property in the said City, and other parts, respectively, estimated according to the estimate or basis on which the County Rate is assessed, or according to a like estimate.

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS.	Sums Assessed.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
City of London	—	17,638 17 6
St. Marylebone	—	13,171 17 0
St. Pancras	—	11,573 8 0
Lambeth	—	7,962 10 0
St. George, Hanover Square	—	13,453 8 0
St. Mary, Islington	—	9,720 8 0
St. Leonard, Shoreditch	—	4,825 11 0
Paddington	—	9,479 6 0
St. Matthew, Bethnal Green	—	2,401 9 0
St. Mary, Newington, Surrey	—	3,000 0 0
Camberwell	—	3,125 0 0
Carried forward - - £	- -	96,351 14 6

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS.		Sums Assessed.	
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward			96,351 14 6
St. James, Westminster		—	5,775 8 0
St. James and St. John, Clerkenwell		—	3,031 11 0
Chelsea		—	3,748 7 0
St. Mary Abbot's, Kensington		—	6,264 3 0
St. Luke, Middlesex		—	2,330 13 0
St. George the Martyr, Southwark		—	1,825 0 0
Bermondsey		—	1,875 0 0
St. George-in-the-East		—	2,461 9 3
St. Martin-in-the-Fields		—	3,316 14 0
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town		—	2,388 4 0
Woolwich		—	1,037 10 0
Rotherhithe		—	1,043 15 0
St. John Hampstead		—	1,845 6 0
Whitechapel District	St. Mary, Whitechapel	1,592 6 3	
	Christchurch, Spitalfields	595 9 0	
	St. Botolph-without-Aldgate	561 10 0	
	Holy Trinity, Minories	83 6 9	
	Precinct of St. Katherine	215 18 0	
	Hamlet of Mile End New Town	195 15 0	
	Liberty of Norton Folgate	111 18 0	
	Old Artillery Ground.	58 7 6	
	District of the Tower.	42 2 0	
			3,456 12 6
Westminster District	St. Margaret St. John the Evangelist	—	4,245 15 0
Greenwich District	St. Paul Deptford, including Hatcham	1,596 14 0	
	St. Nicholas Deptford	200 0 0	
	Greenwich.	1,566 5 0	
			3,362 19 0
Wandsworth District	Clapham	1,337 10 0	
	Tooting Graveney	122 10 0	
	Streatham	710 0 0	
	St. Mary, Battersea, excluding Penge	1,047 10 0	
	Wandsworth	725 0 0	
	Putney, including Roehampton	575 0 0	
			4,517 10 0
Hackney District	Hackney	4,039 18 0	
	St. Mary Stoke Newington	592 16 0	
			4,632 14 0
St. Giles District	St. Giles-in-the-Fields St. George Bloomsbury	—	3,467 13 0
Holborn District	St. Andrew, Holborn, above Bars St. George-the-Martyr	1,766 0 0	
	St. Sepulchre, in the County of Middlesex	218 12 0	
	Saffron Hill, Hatton Garden, Ely Rents, and Ely Place (except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London)	396 4 3	
	Liberty of Glasshouse Yard (except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London)	51 18 6	
			2,432 14 9
Carried forward			£ 159,410 13 0

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS.		Sums Assessed.	
		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward		159,410 13 0
Strand District	St. Anne, Soho	1,202 19 0	
	St. Paul, Covent Garden	612 15 0	
	St. John the Baptist Savoy, or Precinct of the Savoy	113 18 0	
	St. Mary-le-Strand	224 9 0	
	St. Clement Danes	1,195 19 0	
	Liberty of the Rolls	235 2 0	
			3,585 2 0
Fulham District	St. Peter and St. Paul, Hammersmith	1,311 12 0	
	Fulham	836 17 0	
			2,148 9 0
Limehouse District	St. Anne, Limehouse	1,098 1 0	
	St. John, Wapping	531 19 0	
	St. Paul, Shadwell	533 2 0	
	Hamlet of Ratcliffe	769 10 0	
			2,932 12 0
Poplar District	All Saints, Poplar	2,651 8 0	
	St. Mary, Stratford-le-Bow	609 19 0	
	St. Leonard, Bromley	1,042 13 0	
			4,304 0 0
St. Saviour's District	Christchurch	787 10 0	
	St. Saviour (including the liberty of the Clink)	1,262 10 0	
			2,050 0 0
Plumstead District	Charlton next Woolwich	529 9 6	
	Plumstead	640 12 6	
	Eltham	228 11 9	
	Lee	621 6 3	
	Kidbrooke	145 11 6	
			2,165 11 6
Lewisham District	Lewisham, including Sydenham Chapelry	2,136 0 6	
	Hamlet of Penge	547 10 0	
			2,683 10 6
St. Olave District	St. Olave	725 0 0	
	St. Thomas, Southwark	58 15 0	
	St. John, Horsleydown	600 0 0	
			1,383 15 0
The Charter House		24 7 0	
Gray's Inn		158 3 0	
			182 10 0
The Close of the Collegiate Church of St. Peter		18 4 0	
Inner Temple		249 18 3	
Middle Temple		162 10 0	
Lincoln's Inn		215 11 0	
Staple Inn		28 2 0	
Furnival's Inn		39 11 0	
			713 16 3
	TOTAL	£	181,559 19 3

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That Precepts do issue in accordance with the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," and the Acts for amending the same, and that the other proceedings prescribed by the said Acts be taken for obtaining payment of the sums so assessed as aforesaid; and that the said Precepts be sealed with the Common Seal of the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several parties to whom the said Precepts shall be directed, be required to pay the sum or sums therein mentioned into the Bank of England, on or before the 25th day of March, 1866, to the credit of an Account in the Books of the Governor and Company of the said Bank, in the names of Sir John Thwaites, Knight, Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works, and George Alexander Hamilton, Esq., Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, the same being persons duly appointed by the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury in this behalf.

The Clerk then laid before the Board the said several Precepts.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the said Precepts be approved.

The Common Seal of the Board was then affixed to the said several Precepts.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That Drawing Accounts for the new Street to the Mansion House and the Southern Embankment, respectively, be forthwith opened at the Bank of England; and that it be referred back to the Committee, to take all the necessary steps for carrying out the arrangement.

5. The Clerk laid before the Board a statement shewing the amounts paid on the ordinary Precepts of the Board for the current year, and those remaining unpaid, as follows, viz.—

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Paid.	Unpaid 22nd Sept., 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
City of London	9,632 4 4		
Saint Marylebone	8,915 14 11		
Saint Pancras	7,700 14 8		
Lambeth	8,165 10 9		
Saint George, Hanover-square	...	9,067 11 8	
Islington, Saint Mary	6,252 14 4		
Shoreditch, Saint Leonard	3,149 16 2		
Paddington	5,911 10 4		
Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green	1,770 11 8		
Saint Mary, Newington, Surrey	3,115 17 8		
Carried forward	54,614 14 10	9,067 11 8	

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Paid.	Unpaid 22nd Sept., 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	54,614 14 10	9,067 11 8	
Camberwell	3,347 17 1		
Saint James, Westminster	3,843 2 7		
Saint James and Saint John, Clerkenwell ...	1,981 8 6		
Chelsea	...	2,474 3 9	
Kensington, Saint Mary Abbotts...	4,260 15 11		
Saint Luke, Middlesex	1,519 8 6		
Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark	1,963 1 4		
Bermondsey	2,043 11 1		
Saint George-in-the-East	1,863 6 11		
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields	2,149 12 1		
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town	1,875 10 11		
Woolwich	588 6 1		
Rotherhithe	1,068 8 0		
Saint John, Hampstead	1,197 6 4		
Whitechapel District	2,669 17 2		
Westminster do.	2,801 3 6		
Greenwich do.	...	3,680 5 9	
Wandsworth do.	4,174 15 2		
Hackney do.	3,415 17 3		
Saint Giles's do.	2,324 16 10		
Holborn do.	1,669 9 0		
Strand do.	2,328 19 5		
Fulham do.	1,599 5 4	916 1 4	
Limehouse do.	2,177 3 11		
Poplar do.	2,781 4 11		
Saint Saviour's do.	2,361 5 2		
Plumstead do.	1,500 10 0		
Lewisham do.	2,842 16 5		
Saint Olave's do.	1,508 7 9		
Carried forward ... ... £	116,472 2 0	16,138 2 6	

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Paid.	Unpaid Sept., 1865.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward	116,472 2 0	16,138 2 6	
The Charter House	15 19 4		
Lincoln's Inn	109 17 5		
Districts or Parts without the Limits of the Metropolis as defined by the Act—			
Willesden	...	21 16 2	
Acton	...	202 11 11	
Ealing	...	56 3 3	
Extra Parochial	20 4 7		
Chiswick	...	345 4 7	
Croydon	43 12 8		
Richmond	173 17 9		
£	116,835 13 9	16,763 18 5	=133,599 12 2

The Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Board, he had made a further application to the Vestry of Chelsea, for payment of the amount named in the Precept, but was unable to obtain a definite promise when the Precept would be met; and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

In pursuance of the powers vested in the Metropolitan Board of Works, in and by the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, 1862—It is ordered that Charles Lahee, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor in the Parish of Chelsea, in the County of Middlesex, do furnish, within Fourteen Days from the service hereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being a person duly authorized to demand and receive the same, a true copy of such rate on payment or tender for such copy at the rate of Sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns of the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively; and the Board require the Copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the same Act.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that the same be, with all convenient speed, served on the said Charles Lahee; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. James and Wheatley, Clerk to Board of Works for the Greenwich District, dated 24th August, 1865, stating that the District Board would be prepared, at their meeting on the 27th September, inst., to pay the amount mentioned in the Precept.

Read a letter, as follows—

Parish of Fulham, Middlesex,
Vestry Offices, Walham-green, S.W.
20th September, 1865.

Dear Sir,

FULHAM PRECEPT.

Having mentioned to the Vestry Finance Committee, that your Mr. Coggin had called on me last night to ascertain when the amount (£916 1s. 4d.) of Precept for Metropolitan Board Charges, due the 24th June, 1865, would be paid, I am directed to state, that the Fulham Overseers are not yet in a position to pay such amount, for not only are numerous sums still unpaid on outstanding rates, (for the collection of which however active measures are now in operation,) but the laying of a new Rate is delayed by the numerous Appeals on the last Poor Rate, consequent upon the deposit of an altered Valuation List, the remainder of which Appeals will, I hope, be disposed of by the Assessment Committee on Tuesday next, and then a new Rate will be made to meet your demand. I therefore trust your Board will continue their forbearance towards Fulham Parish.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) JAMES PARKER,
Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring-gardens, S.W.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the necessary steps be forthwith taken for levying rates on default in the Parish of Fulham, for payment of the Precept for the year 1865.

Resolved—That the person in custody of the Poor-rate of the Parish of Fulham, be required to furnish a copy of the same to this Board, within fourteen days from the service of an Order upon him to that effect.

Ordered—That Thomas Coggin be authorized, and he is hereby authorized, to demand and receive from James Parker, he being the person having control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor of the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, a true copy of such Rate.

The Clerk produced to the Board a form of Order by this Board, requiring James Parker, he being the person having the control of the Rate for the relief of the Poor of the Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex, to furnish, within fourteen days from the service thereof, to Thomas Coggin, he being a person duly authorized by this Board to demand and receive the same, a true copy of the said Rate, on payment or tender for such copy, at the rate of sixpence for every twenty-four names, inclusive of all the particulars in the several columns of the said Rate, so far as such particulars have reference to such names respectively, such copy to be verified by the declaration referred to in the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, 1862.

Resolved—That the said form of Order be approved and adopted; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that such Order be, with all convenient speed, served on the said James Parker.

The Seal of the Board was then affixed to the said Order, accordingly.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st September, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards.

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
GREENWICH.				
Arthur-street, Henry-street, Abinger-road, Idonia-street, Octavius-street, Adolphus-street, Warwick-street, Napier-street, Moore-street, &c.	about 1,305	15 inch	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
	about 2,795	12 inch	,,	[NOTE.—330 feet of the proposed 15 inch pipe sewer in Napier street, were sanctioned, 21st April, 1865.]
SAINT GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.				
East-end of Queen-street, Mint-street	180	9 inch	Pipe	The same as applied for.
KENSINGTON.				
Walnut-tree-walk, Tregunter-road, Cathcart-road, &c.	about 1,970	3′ 9″×2′ 6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
	about 1,480	3′ 0″×2′ 0″	½ ,,	
Fulham-road.	360	3′ 9″×2′ 6″	1 brick	Recommended as amended on section
Mews on the West side of Bramley-road, South of Blechynden-street.	240	12 inch	Pipe.	The same as applied for.
Mews, between Cornwall-road and Lancaster-road	310	3′0″×2′ 0″	½ brick	
Manchester-road, Walmer-road	150	18 inch	½ brick	
CAMBERWELL.				
Hyndman-grove, Alexander-street, Hyndman-street, Hyndman-place, &c., Old Kent-road	about 400	3′0″×2′0″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
	360	3′0″×2′0″	½ brick	
	200	15 inch	pipe	
	335	12 inch	pipe	
WANDSWORTH.				
Merton-road, Granville-road, Avenue-road, Melrose-road, Wimbledon Park-road, Westhill, Palmerston-road, Kingston-road, Prince's-road, Beaumont-road, Augustus-road, Albert road, Victoria-road, Inner Park-road, High-street, Wandsworth-road, Clapham-road, Saint Ann's-hill, Iron-Mill-road, Allfarthing-lane, from Alma Terrace-road, to Upper Tooting, &c.	2,360	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
	750	3′0″×2′0″	½ brick	
	about 2,296	3′3″×2′2″	,,	
	about 8,455	2′3″×1′9″	,,	
	5,626	15 inch	pipe	
	19,761	12 inch	,,	
	872	9 inch	,,	

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HACKNEY.				
From Manor-road along Stamford-hill-road to Brook-street	970	3′9″ × 2′0″	brick	The same as applied for.
Pembury-road, along by Great Eastern Railway to Upper Clapton, Down's-road, Back-lane, &c.	about 4,840	4′9″ × 2′6″	brick	
	about 384	3′0″ × 2′0″	brick	
	about 1,080	15 inch	pipe	
Lordship Park Estate.	about 673	3′0″ × 2′0″	brick	
	about 880	12 inch	pipe	
Tyssen Amhurst Estate	about 575	15 inch	,,	
	about 300	12 ,,	,,	
	about 185	9 ,,	,,	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st September, 1865, stating that, during the recess, he had, under the authority given to him by the Order of the Board of the 30th January, 1863, (No. 4), sanctioned the closing of the following thoroughfares by the under-mentioned Vestries for the periods and purposes stated, viz.—

Date of Application.	Name of Street to be stopped up.	To be Stopped up for the purpose of	Time required to be stopped up.	Time sanctioned.	REMARKS.
		St. MARYLEBONE.			
1865. 7th Aug.	Oxford-street, between No. 84 and Berwick-street.	Re-paving	4 weeks	4 weeks	Commencing on the 7th August last.
,,	Little Marylebone-street, and Great Chesterfield-street.	do.	3 weeks each	3 weeks each	Commencing on the 7th August last.
		ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.			
23rd Aug.	High-street, between Union-street and St. George's Church.	Re-paving	2 weeks	2 weeks	Commencing on the 18th instant.
,,	Blackman-street.	do.	3 weeks	3 weeks	
,,	Newington-causeway, between No. 32, and Blackman-street.	do.	3 weeks	3 weeks	
		ST. GILES, CAMBERWELL.			
12th Sept.	Lower and Upper Park-roads.	Sewerage works.	8 weeks each	8 weeks each	Commencing on the 18th instant.
,,	Coburg-road.	do.	12 weeks	12 weeks	

Resolved—That the course taken by the Engineer, with regard to the closing of the above-mentioned thoroughfares be sanctioned and approved.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st September, 1865, on applications from the following Vestry and District Boards for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic can be diverted.
		WANDSWORTH.			
1865. 16 Sept.	New road, Battersea	Sewerage works.	5 weeks.	5 weeks.	Battersea-road.
		ST. GILES-IN-THE-FIELDS.			
18 Sept.	Little Queen-street	Sewerage works, and re-laying Paving	6 weeks.	Recommending that, as Little Queen-street is a most important thoroughfare, being the only convenient means of carriage access from Holborn to Lincoln's Inn-Fields, this application be sanctioned for a period of one month only, commencing on the 27th instant.	
		ST. MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS.			
19 Sept.	Green-street, Leicester-square	Repaving works.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	Orange-street.
,,	Trafalgar-square, portion fronting Nelson column	do.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	North side of the Square, &c.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said Vestry and District Boards, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the respective works.

9. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
21st September, 1865.

In pursuance of the authority delegated to me by the Order of the Board (Minutes, 4th August last, No. 38), I have examined and disposed of the several accompanying applications, submitting for approval designs for Railway Bridges, as enumerated below, and I attach to this report my replies to the several applications, to which I request the sanction of the Board.

Design for Bridge, to carry London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (Metropolitan Extensions) over Manor-rise, Brixton.

Designs for 30 Bridges, to carry the Great Eastern Railway over several roads and streets in the Parishes of St. Matthew, Bethnal Green, and St. John, Hackney.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

(COPY.)

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
2nd September, 1865.

Dear Sir,

LONDON, CHATHAM, AND DOVER RAILWAY (METROPOLITAN EXTENSIONS) NEW LINES ACT, 1864.

In reply to your note of the 26th ultimo, forwarding Plans and elevations of the Bridge to be erected over Manor-rise, Brixton, I beg to call your attention to paragraph 3 of Clause 54 of your Act, which requires that the abutments be set back to frontage lines of adjoining houses, giving the Company liberty, however, in such cases as the present, to form an intermediate bearing by means of columns, which might, in this case, be conveniently placed in line with the palisade in front of the forecourts of the houses.

In other respects, I see no objection to the general features of the design.

I am, &c.,

W. H. Thomas, Esq. (Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE.

(COPY).

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
14th September, 1865.

Dear Sir,

GREAT EASTERN RAILWAY—METROPOLITAN EXTENSIONS, 27 AND 28 VIC. CAP. 313.

Bridges over Roads on Railways, Nos. 3 and 8, from Collingwood-street, to Down's-road, (both inclusive), No. 30 in all.

In reply to your letter of the 26th ultimo, forwarding for approval of the Metropolitan Board of Works, Plans and elevations of the above 30 bridges, I now, on their behalf, approve of the same, subject to the subjoined general and special modifications.

That the method proposed for preventing sound and leakage in the case of girder bridges, be approved, on trial, and that should the proposed method fail, in the opinion of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to effect the desired objects, a further provision be made, by laying upon the lower flanges and the cross-girders, two thicknesses of planking at right angles to each other, and with a thickness of asphalted felt between, the joints of planks being made with metal tongues, and the space between this planking and the underside of upper flooring being packed with ashes, saw-dust, spent tan, or other similar material.

That the parapets over streets be in no case less than 5′ 6″ in height above level of rails, and parapets be extended of same height, for a distance of 150 feet beyond the clear span of the bridges at either end thereof, except where parapets are stopped against a continuous return wall of as great elevation above level of rails, in which case, the 150 feet extensions may be dispensed with.

That the parapets of bridges, Nos. 6, 9, 23, 29 and 30, be 6 feet 6 inches in height, and subject to the same regulation as to 150 feet extensions, as above.

That the iron parapets, shown plain, be relieved by ornamental standards or otherwise, as may be subsequently approved.

That the piers to bridges have projecting plinth.

That the bridges over streets be faced with bricks of uniform tint, to the satisfaction of the Engineer to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

That the arches on face, not on soffit, be faced with red and yellow bricks, in alternate bands, and in certain cases, have carved key stone.

That the caps to parapets, cornices and moulded strings, be of stone.

That in bridges, Nos. 6, 11, 23, 28, 29 and 30, ornamental iron cantilevers be built in piers under each girder, and piers designed to receive the same. Design to be submitted for approval.

That in cases where the span of bridge, as submitted, is wider than street, so that abutments stand back from line of frontages of houses, the Railway Company shall, in such cases as may be required, build up wall from surface of street to soffit of arch, flush with line of frontages.

That, as in some instances there appears to be a slight discrepancy between the actual widths between frontages and the spans of bridges, as stated on drawings, the abutments shall, in all such cases, range with lines of frontages.

That, with respect to

Bridge No. 2.—The proposed diversion of Primrose-street be not less than 40 feet in width.

,, No. 9.—Span to be increased from 35 feet as proposed, to 40 feet, and position of abutments to be shifted.

The diversion of Clare-street to be not less than 40 feet in width.

,, No. 11.—Line of abutments to be bent to range with frontage line of houses at each end, making the plan of opening wedge-shaped, and the span to vary from about 75 feet to 97 feet.

,, No. 15.—Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 16 feet.

,, No. 16.—Span to be increased, and abutment set back to line of frontage of houses in Ashgrove, in accordance with Clause 26, paragraph 3.

,, No. 17.—Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 16 feet.

,, No. 22.—Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 16 feet.

Span to be increased, and abutments set back to lines of frontage.

,, No. 23.—Span to be widened about 5 feet, and the lines of abutments bent so as to range with frontages of houses at both ends thereof.

,, No. 24.—Southern abutment shifted so as to range with frontage of houses.

,, No. 25.—Soffit to be raised, to give headway of 16 feet, instead of 15 as proposed.

,, No. 26.—Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 16 feet.

Abutments to be set back to lines of frontages of houses, with columns for intermediate supports, as per Clause 26, paragraph 3.

,, No. 27.—Abutments to be set back to lines of frontages of houses, with columns for intermediate supports, as per Clause 26, paragraph 3.

,, No. 28.—Bridge to be in one span, without intermediate supports, in accordance with Clause 26, paragraph 3.

,, No. 29.—The span to be increased from 38 feet as proposed, to 40 feet. Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 17 feet.

,, No. 30.—Span to be increased from 40 feet as proposed, to 42 feet, the present width of the road.

Headway to be increased from 15 feet as proposed, to 17 feet, which apparently might be effected without further lowering the road, by slightly increasing gradient of Railway from proposed gradient of 1 in 100.

I am, &c.,

Robert Sinclair, Esq., C.E. (Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE, Engineer.

Resolved—That the steps taken by the Engineer, with regard to the above-mentioned Railway Bridges, be approved and sanctioned, on condition that the several works be executed strictly in accordance with the recommendations of the Engineer.

11. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, 21st September, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the seven weeks ending the 20th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	19,711	23,778
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	...	...
	19,711	23,778

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 20th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	86,207	152,844
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	93,071	163,020

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 256,091 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
21st September, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT.—MAIN DRAINAGE, &c., WORKS.—ACCIDENTS.

I regret to report that an accident occurred at the Southern Outfall works, on the 9th ulto., to a man named John Leggatt, who was engaged upon a travelling crane shifting some iron plates. It appears that, whilst lifting two of the plates, the crane tipped backwards, and threw their weight against the poor man, very severely bruising his head and side; he was at once removed to Guy's Hospital, where he died a day or two afterwards; the verdict of the Coroner's Jury being "accidental death."

I have further to report that a fatal accident occurred to the driver of a locomotive crane, at the Westminster dam end of the Thames Embankment works, through a heavy stone, which was being raised, having caught against one of the struts, thus causing the engine to leave the rails and fall over, killing the poor man upon the spot.

I have further to report that, on Thursday the 14th instant, three of the Board's flushing men named Whiting, Parsons, and Humphries, when in the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, were suddenly overcome by some foul air, and two of the three fell down senseless in the sewage, from which perilous position they were rescued by two passers-by, named W. Rutter and Thomas Evans; the third man, after rendering what assistance he could to his companions, escaped into the street, but upon reaching its surface, he also fell down, overcome by the foul air. The three men were subsequently conveyed to the Police Station, where they received prompt attention from Mr. Llewellyn, the Surgeon, and were enabled shortly to return to their homes, and I am happy to be enabled to state that they are all three rapidly recovering.

The gang had commenced working in the Main Line Sewer about eight o'clock in the morning, but the three who were in advance of the remainder of the gang, experienced no ill effects till they reached the part of the sewer in Blackman-street, near the Aërated Bread Bakery, at about 10. 30. a.m. There were about 12 or 14 inches of deposit in the sewer at the time of the accident, and I have obtained a bottle of the sewage, and recommend that Dr. Henry Letheby be requested to analyse this sample, and report thereon to this Board.

I further recommend that it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to consider whether some acknowledgment should not be made to Mr. Rutter (a carpenter), and to Mr. Evans (a watch-maker), by the Board, to mark their sense of the important services rendered by them in saving the lives of the two men in question.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That so much of the Report as refers to the accident in the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th September, 1865, stating that he had been in communication with Mr. Strapp, the Engineer of the South Western Railway Company, with reference to carrying the proposed line of Heathwall Sewer under that Railway, and through the Company's land at Nine-elms, and submitting a letter from Mr. Strapp, stating that the Directors had no objection to the proposed diversion, provided an agreement for the protection of both parties were entered into, similar to that made when the Low Level Sewer was carried through the Company's Goods'-yard, adjoining Nine-elms-lane.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that the Board do assent to the conditions proposed by the Railway Company, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare an agreement accordingly.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th September, 1865, on a letter from Mr. R. F. Chews, Lighterman, calling attention to alleged damage to the bed of Deptford Creek by the discharge at the Main Drainage Outlet.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th September, 1865, on a letter from the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, offering to rent a piece of land, the property of the Board, adjoining the Northern Outfall Sewer at Barking, a portion of which was lately used by the Contractor as a brickfield.

Resolved—That the report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th September, 1865, on a letter from Mr. J. Wickham, and twenty-three other residents at New Charlton, calling attention to the nuisance arising from an open sewer in that locality, stating that the sewer in question was under the jurisdiction of the Plumstead District Board, and recommending that a copy of the letter be sent to them, and their attention drawn to the urgent necessity of abolishing the open sewer referred to, and of constructing a proper covered one in its stead.

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that a communication founded thereon be addressed to the Plumstead District Board of Works, and that the complainants be informed thereof.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th September, 1865, stating that the works of the Notting-hill and Brompton Extension of the Metropolitan Railway being in progress near the Kensington Union, it became necessary to divert a portion of the Kensington Branch of the Counters Creek Sewer in that locality, and that, in order that the works might not be delayed, he (the Engineer) had, pending the Meeting of the Board, sanctioned the diversion of the sewer in the manner shown on the Plan submitted, on condition that the works were done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company; and requesting the sanction of the Board to the course he had taken.

Resolved—That the course taken by the Engineer be approved, and that the diversion of the portion of sewer in question be sanctioned, on condition that the work be done under the direction and to the entire satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

18. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
22nd September, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Thomas, dated 11th instant, forwarding for approval amended design of Bridge for carrying the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (Metropolitan Extensions), over Manor-rise, Brixton, 27 and 28 Vic., cap. 115.

The first design for this Bridge was forwarded by Mr. Thomas, with letter dated the 26th ultimo., during the recess of the Board, and was returned by me for amendment on the 2nd instant, in consequence of non-compliance with the terms of the Act, inasmuch as the abutment was designed to project several feet beyond the line of frontage of the Houses. In the amended design now submitted, the abutment is set back to the line of frontage. I recommend, therefore, that the design be approved, subject to the condition that the parapet be a close parapet, and not less than six feet high above the level of the rails, and that proper provision be made for rendering the Bridge water-tight, and for deadening the sound. The Bridge as designed, consists of two spans, one fifty-eight feet over the roadway, and the other fifty-three feet, and having a headway of twenty-nine feet.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the design for the proposed bridge be sanctioned, on condition that the parapet be a close one, and not less than six feet high above the level of the rails, and that proper provision be made for rendering the bridge water-tight, and for deadening the sound.

It was **moved** by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That a copy of the foregoing Report be sent to the Vestry of Lambeth.

19. It was **moved** by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Streets Committee, to consider and report as to the advisability of the Board appointing a competent Officer to inspect Railway Bridges after their completion, and to report whether the conditions imposed by the Board have been complied with.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st September, 1865, stating that the Collector to the Vestry of Lambeth had applied for £1 10s. 10d, for Poor, Lighting, and Sewer's Rates, upon the Board's new sluice-house at Effra-creek; that the rates were made on the 16th May last, and the sluice-house was not occupied till the 3rd July following, and recommending the Board to appeal against the rate.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to take the necessary steps for appealing against the rates.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st September, 1865, calling attention to the two water-colour drawings of the Crossness Pumping Station, now hanging in the Board Room, and recommending that one hundred copies of each be re-produced in chromo-lithography, at an estimated cost of £80.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. M'Donnell—That the Report be approved, and the recommendation of the Engineer adopted.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, was lost.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd September, 1865, stating that the side walls and invert of a portion of the Fleet Sewer in Mansfield-place, Kentish Town, for a length of about 100 feet, up to Cathcart-street, required repair and under-pinning; and recommending the execution of the work under the General Contract for works, at an estimated cost of £85.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed under the Contract for General Works, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

23. The Engineer stated that, during the recess, application had been made to him to advise the local authorities of Norwich, upon Plans which had been prepared for the drainage of their city, and that he had since been asked whether he could, if applied to, similarly advise the authorities of Hastings and Oxford; and he requested the sanction of the Board to his so doing.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the request of the Engineer be complied with.

24. It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee to consider and report as to the preparation of the Thames Embankment (North) Contract (No. 3).

25. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Lammin—That the Engineer do report to the Board, on Friday next, what progress has been made in connecting the Northend sewer, belonging to the Fulham District Board, with the Western sewers of this Board.

26. It was moved by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the consideration of the following motion, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be adjourned until Friday next, the 29th instant, at One o'clock—"That it be referred to the Building Act Committee, to report "generally on the payment of District Surveyors, by Fees; on the extent, value, and "convenience of the present Districts, and on the expediency of their fusion and re-"arrangement. Also, as to the advisability of directing the payment of the Fees "collected under the Act into a common fund, out of which to defray the payment "of a staff of salaried Officers, devoting their whole time to the public service."

27. It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—"That it be referred to the Streets Committee, to consider and report as "to the terms on which Gas, Water, and other Companies may be permitted to occupy "and use the Subways in the streets and public places in the Metropolis."

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. Baker, dated 4th August, 1865, together with a notice of the intention of his client, Mr. William Bradley, to proceed against the Board, to recover compensation for alleged injury to his property, Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, Grosvenor-park North, in the Parish of St. Mary, Newington.

29. The Solicitor laid before the Board letters from Mr. Church, Deputy Manager of the Bank of London, dated 15th September, 1865, Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co., dated 20th September, 1865, Messrs. Cunliffe and Beaumont, dated 15th September, 1865, and Messrs. Brown, Janson, and Co., dated 14th September, 1865, with reference to the responsibility of the Sureties proposed by Mr. Moxon, for the due execution of the works for covering over, &c., the Heathwall, the Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for diverting the sewage through Garratt-lane, from a part of the River Wandle. The Solicitor suggested that, there being a question as to one of the Sureties, as to which details were wanting, the matter should be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration.

Resolved—That the suggestion of the Solicitor be adopted, and that the matter be accordingly referred to the Main Drainage Committee, and that they be authorized to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive.

30. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Deed of Conveyance to the North London Railway Company, of two pieces of land, fronting Old Ford Lane, Bow, being in exchange for land already conveyed by the Railway Company, to the Board, in pursuance of an Agreement, dated 13th May, 1865.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed of conveyance; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. John Gardiner, of the Office of Works and Public Buildings, dated 31st August, 1865, complaining of the non-removal of a small building over the Ranelagh Sewer, respecting which he was in communication with the Board in 1862.

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee for consideration and report; and that the Engineer do report thereon to that Committee.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Report by Mr. Oakley, dated 9th August, 1865, stating that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 6th January last, (No. 7), he had investigated the claim of the Dean and Chapter of Ely, for the alleged damage to Nos. 19 and 20, Vine-street, Saffron-hill, by the construction of the Middle Level Sewer; that he found that the houses in question were substantially damaged, and that he had agreed, subject to the approval of the Board, to settle the claim of the Dean and Chapter, at £105, including Solicitor's costs, £10 10s., to be paid to Messrs. Smith and Williams, the Surveyors to the Dean and Chapter; and further stating that Mr. Robinson, the lessee of the premises, would be entitled to some compensation.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the arrangement proposed by Mr. Oakley be approved, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to carry out the same.

33. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
22nd September, 1865.

SAVILLE HOUSE.

In this case, the party has not actually proceeded to build, and Counsel was of opinion, that the District Surveyor could take no step before a Magistrate, until some building had begun.

I have had several interviews with the Solicitor of the owner of the property, and with the District Surveyor; the owner proposed to refer it to a Barrister to decide as to the law and facts. It appeared to me and the District Surveyor, that this would be most unsatisfactory to the Board, as the Board wished for such a judicial exposition of the law as would be a guide in future Cases. The parties seemed willing at one time to assist in getting the decision of the Court upon a Special Case; I have not yet their final decision.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do endeavour to obtain a Case for a Superior Court.

34. The Solicitor reported that, during the recess, Mr. Eastwood had sent in a claim in respect of his property in Stangate, required for the Thames Embankment South, and had requested the appointment of an Arbitrator, and that the Chairman, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 4th August last, (No 48), had nominated Mr. Marrable, as the Arbitrator of the Board, under the Seal of the Board.

Resolved—That the appointment of Mr. Marrable, as Arbitrator on behalf of the Board, in relation to the claim of Mr. Eastwood, be approved.

35. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Notice, dated 24th August, 1865, of the assignment by Mr. J. G. Jennings to the London and County Bank, of his interest, under the Agreement with the Board, of 2nd August, 1865.

Resolved—That a note of the said Assignment be taken by the Clerk and Accountant.

36. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Notice from Mr. J. C. Walton, dated 8th September, 1865, claiming £60 as compensation for alleged damage to his premises, at Greenwich, in the execution of sewerage works; and also a letter from Mr. Dethick, the Contractor, dated 14th September, 1865, forwarding an estimate of the claim made in June last, at £30.

37. The Solicitor reported that the Guarantee Society had paid over to the Accountant, on the 31st August last, the amount of the bond of Mr. Thiselton, the Collector in default.

38. The Solicitor reported that the sum of £100,000, on account of the loan from the Treasury, for the purpose of the Southern Embankment, had been paid to the Account of the Board, on the 1st instant.

39. The Solicitor reported that, in consequence of the Pneumatic Despatch Company not having taken any steps to complete the Award of Mr. Bateman, made on the 19th May, 1865, with respect to the laying of the Company's tubes in Holborn, he had, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board, of the 4th August last, (No. 44), filed a Bill in Chancery against the Company; and he laid before the Board a copy of the Bill.

40. The Solicitor reported that, during the recess, the Police had detected two boys in stealing copper from the works of the Thames Embankment; that Counsel was instructed on behalf of the Board to support the indictment, and that in the result, the boys pleading guilty, and were sent to a Reformatory for three years.

Resolved—That the course taken by the Solicitor be approved.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. P. Waterson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the forecourts of seven houses in Whittington-terrace, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hunt and Stephenson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an additional story to two bow-windows, at a building at the corner of Victoria-street and Orchard-street, Westminster, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Francis Fowler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open Portico, at the Alexandra Hotel, Knightsbridge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Thomas Campbell, that two bay-windows, erected without permission, at No. 4, Dean Street, Park-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, might be permitted to remain.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Westerton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st August, 1865, on the application of the Rev. R. M. Wilcox, for the consent of the Board to a line of frontage for a chapel and two houses on the South-side of the Lewisham-road, Deptford, as indicated by a red line from A to B, upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Francis Beszant, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop over the area in front of No. 23, Caledonian-road, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Walter Jenvey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bow-windows to the fronts of two houses on the East side of Sutherland-road, Old Ford, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook—That the application be granted, on condition that the bows be restricted to the height of the ground story; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Hogg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of No. 7, Stringer's-row, Rotherhithe, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop be kept to the same projection as the shop at No. 3; that the front thereof do range with the curve of the road; that the ground in front of the shop be added to the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the forecourt of No. 512, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop be kept back 12 feet at least from the outer edge of the footway curb, as shown by the red line on the Plan submitted by the Vestry of Mile End Old Town; that any future projection in the row of houses in which the said house is situated, be kept to the same line of frontage; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Snooke and Stock, for the consent of the Board to the construction of over-

hanging eaves to a house in Glengall-grove, Old Kent-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the house remain as a detached building.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Bellman and Ivey, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stone balcony to the house, No. 35, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Coulson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on part of the forecourt of No. 68, Mildmay-street, Ball's-pond, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be not granted.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Belcher, on behalf of Mr. Murrell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of "The Nag's Head" public-house, in the Hackney-road, as shown upon one or the other of two Plans, marked A and B, accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan marked B accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Brett, on behalf of Mr. Laws, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of two houses, Nos. 1 and 2, White Horse-lane, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the fronts be kept in a line with the fronts of the adjacent houses, Nos. 9 and 10A, and that the end next Ernest-street, West, be canted off so as to measure 5 feet on its face; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Arnold, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pent-house in front of his shop, No. 29, Cross-street, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole projection be of fire-proof materials, that there be no drip of water on the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th, August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Coutts Stone, on behalf of Messrs. Pearce and Stone, and Messrs. Colnaghi, Scott, and Company, for the consent of the Board to the alteration of the shop fronts of Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17, Pall-mall East, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Finch Hill and Paraire, for the consent of the Board to the raising of the "King's Arms" public-house, at the corner of Chester-street, Lower Kennington-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. W. Tyler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony at No. 46, Portland-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Squibbs, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses in Station-road, Anerley, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd, August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Beard and Morrison, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony at No. 31, Portland-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas J. Hill, on behalf of Mr. William Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at No. 80, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Jenkins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-story shop, on the fore-court of No. 1, Sun-in-the-Sands-place, Back-lane, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be not granted.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Phillips, on behalf of Samuel Warren, Esq., for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico, at No. 16, Manchester-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Flint, on behalf of Mr. Hansford, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-story shop, on the forecourt of No. 2, Sister's-place, Church-street, Stoke Newington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shop do not project beyond that at No. 1, that the ground in front be added to the public way, that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

65. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd August, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Sullivan, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses numbered 37 to 43, Maxey-road, Plumstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Lidstone and Son, on behalf of Mr. Hayley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of No. 22, Rye-lane, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop-front be kept at a distance of 20 feet from the centre of the roadway opposite thereto, that the surplus ground be added to the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 24th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Caulcutt, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of Nos. 56 and 57, Chapel-street, Pentonville, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry M. Eyton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a Workman's Club, in Old Pye-street, Westminster, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be built up to the Red line shown on the Plan, drawn from the corner house of St. Ann's-lane to the corner of the house in Old Pye-street, adjoining to the proposed building, and that it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Trollope and Sons, on behalf of Sir John Johnstone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico and balcony, at No. 27, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Rees, for the approval by the Board, of the materials and construction of over-hanging eaves to a pair of semi-detached villas in Longton-grove, Upper Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the party walls be corbelled out, to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Boulter, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of Nos. 2 and 3, Upper Belgrave-terrace, Pimlico, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Pennington, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-story shop on the fore-court of No. 68, Chapel-street, Pentonville, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

73. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Buckingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of six houses, numbered 5 to 10 inclusive, in Well-street, Hackney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the shops be restricted to one story, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

74. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Waller and Son, on behalf of Mr. Edgeworth, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed porch at No. 14, Wilton-place, Belgrave-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

75. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. E. Williams, on behalf of Mr. James, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one-story shop on the fore-court of No. 156, Pentonville-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the frontage of the proposed shop next the Pentonville-road, be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; but that so much of the application as relates to the projection of the shop beyond the line of frontage of the houses in Cumming-street, be not acceded to.

76. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. F. Holsworth, on behalf of Mr. Joseph Dawson, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of over-hanging eaves to Nos. 17, 19, 21, and 23, Patshull-road, Kentish Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the party-walls be corbelled out, to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

77. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Little, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of Nos. 458 and 460, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

78. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Dyball, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bay-windows to the ground floor of "Wilton-cottage," Barrington-road, Brixton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

79. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Ashby and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico to the "Bath Hotel," at the corner of Arlington-street and Piccadilly, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Westerton, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That Mr. Westerton be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

80. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Francis Hedges, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of overhanging eaves to six cottages, near the Baptist Chapel, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That the application be granted, on condition that the party walls be corbelled out, to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

81. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Maidlow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at No. 24, Fleet-road, St. John's Park, Hampstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

82. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. C. Wardle, for the consent by the Board of the erection of a bow-window at No. 13, Rectory-place, Woolwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed window do not exceed the height of the story from which it is to project, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

83. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Charles Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop, on the fore-court of No. 36, Hereford-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the shop do not project beyond, or be erected higher than, those now existing, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of applica-

tion, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

84. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Lucas, Brothers, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings for "Improved Industrial Dwellings," in the Mall, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the application be granted, on condition that the area walls of the proposed building be set back in a line with the general face of the brickwork of the front wall of the stables adjoining, instead of the piers thereof, as proposed; and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

85. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Richard Smith, on behalf of Mr. Holsworth, for the consent of the Board to the erection of three houses in Barnsbury-grove, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

86. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Henman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four shops in front of Nos. 21, 23, 25 and 27, Malden-crescent, Kentish Town, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

87. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. I. Robins, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of No. 98, Holloway-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the corner of the proposed shop be splayed, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

88. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Ward, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house in Armagh-road, South, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

89. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Watts and Hidden, for the consent of the Board, to the erection of a portico and balconettes, at No. 32, Grosvenor-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of

application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

90. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. G. Hennell, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of barge-boards to the gables, the mullions and cornice of a bow-window, and the enclosures of a conservatory, to a house and stable in Mayow-park, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

91. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Samuel C. Dunk, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shop in Station-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

92. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Crowhurst, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and shop in Rye-lane, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground in front of the proposed building be thrown open to the public, and that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

93. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Albert P. Howell, on behalf of Messrs. Mowlem and Company, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a cart shed at their premises, Grosvenor-wharf, Millbank, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted.

94. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Preston, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at Spa-road, Bermondsey.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

95. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Tidmarsh and Sons, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a verandah at the rear of the house, No. 139, Highbury New Park, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted.

96. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Faulkner, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a water-closet at No. 14, New Burlington-street, St. James's, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the structure be supported, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

97. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hills, and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their works at East Greenwich.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

98. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Moreland and Son, on behalf of Messrs. Grace and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their white-lead works, Bethnal-green.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

99. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John H. Parkinson, for the approval by the Board of the construction of the river front of a warehouse in Narrow-street, Ratcliff, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

100. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Whittenburg, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of an iron building, for a school, at North Woolwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the materials be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

101. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Goodey, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a street for foot passengers, to lead out of Three-colt-street, Bow, and of the name "Prince Arthur's Avenue," for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole surface of the proposed street be flagged, at the expense of the owner.

102. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of five new streets at Old Ford, southward from Esmond-road, Mile End Old Town, and of the names "Medway-road," "Lyall-road," "Selwyn-road," "Antill-road," and "Stanfield-road," for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

103. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Carter, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Garratt-lane, Wandsworth.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

104. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Alfred T. Keene, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation

of four new roads, on land north of the New-road, Hammersmith, and opposite to Farm-lane, and of the names of "Swakeley-road," "Stowe-road," "Burghley-street," and "Frognall-street," for the same.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

105. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Joseph Liddiatt, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of new streets at Sands'-end, Fulham.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that no houses be built fronting to the proposed back-way 20 feet wide, from Peterborough-road to King's-road.

106. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Idenden, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three new streets, at the rear of York-place, Seawich-lane, East Greenwich.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

107. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th August, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Smith, Son, and Oakley, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the widening of an old road leading from Shooter's-hill-road to Kidbrooke Manor, and for a new road in continuation at Plumstead.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

108. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect dated 17th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Collis, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews at Langton-terrace, on land between Shooter's-hill-road and Woodland's-road, Greenwich.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted.

109. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st August, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Gater, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews at the rear of High-street, Homerton.

It was **moved** by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed buildings be used only for the purposes of stables and workshops, with the exception of one house at the end of the mews for the occupation of the applicant.

110. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th August, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. W. Reed, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three roads on the estate of the late James Peachy, Esq., at Hanley-road West, Holloway, Islington.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that each of the new roads be made 40 feet wide.

111. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Flint, for the approval by the Board of the site of a cottage at Stoke Newington, in the thoroughfare leading from Stamford-hill to Newington Common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Peckett—That the application be not granted.

112. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Amer, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road or footway in front of two cottages at Brockley, Lewisham.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

113. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Baldwin, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a road between Dulwich-road, and the boundary of Beckenham Parish, at Penge.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

114. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Spencer, for the approval by the Board of a plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Malden-road, Kentish Town, and of the name "Damerel-street," for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted.

115. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Ritson and Son, for the approval by the Board of the position of a school building in Woodland-place, East Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the space in front of the proposed school be widened, by setting off twenty feet from the centre of the street.

116. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Knight and Uren, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead out of Jasmine-grove, Anerley, and of the name "Jasmine-avenue," for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the Plan for the road, be granted, on condition that the surface of the proposed avenue be flagged throughout, but that the applicant be requested to submit another name for the road in question, not at present in use in the Metropolis.

117. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Wagstaff, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews, to lead out of Poole's-park, Islington.

It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

118. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Perren, for the approval by the Board, of a Plan for the widening of two old roads, and the laying out of one half of a new street, on land between York-road, Wandsworth, and the South Western Railway.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed new street be made 40 feet wide, when buildings shall be erected on the opposite side.

119. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Ridge, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, at Ladywell-park, Lewisham, and the erection of eleven houses therein, and of the name "Ladywell-terrace," for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the old way adjoining the proposed road, and known as Hither Green-lane, be widened, by setting off 20 feet from its present centre, and that the new street be made 40 feet wide.

120. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Oliver, for the approval by the Board, of a Plan for the forma-

tion of a road to lead Southward from Peckham-road, and parallel to Talfourd-road, Camberwell, and of the name "Bushey-hill," for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

121. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. M. Regan, for the approval by the Board of the name "Mansion-street," for a new street, near Mansion-house-square, High-street, Camberwell.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

122. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd September, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Girdham, for the re-numbering of the houses in Church-road, Haverstock-hill, Hampstead.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

123. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th September, 1865, on a communication from Mr. H. J. Hammon, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, &c., dated 13th September, 1865, notifying that he was engaged to act professionally in connection with alterations at the premises, No. 14, Finsbury-place, and Nos. 58 and 59, Featherstone-street, City-road, and requesting the Board to appoint some other District Surveyor as the Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon, it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Newton, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, &c., did, on the 13th day of September, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he had been engaged to act professionally in respect of the alteration of premises at No. 14, Finsbury-place, and Nos. 58 and 59, Featherstone-street, City-road, within the District aforesaid; and the said Henry John Hammon has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Edmund Woodthorpe, Surveyor of the District of the Northern Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Edmund Woodthorpe is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

124. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th August, 1865, on a communication from Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Greenwich, dated 10th August, 1865, notifying that additions at the rear of the house, No. 8, Blackheath-grove, were about to be built under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other District Surveyor, as the Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Newton, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Robert Palmer Browne, Surveyor of the District of Greenwich, did, on the 10th day of August, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of additions at the rear of the house, No. 8, Blackheath-grove, within the District aforesaid; and the said Robert Palmer Browne has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. James Collis, Surveyor of the District of Charlton, Lee, and Kidbrooke, be appointed by this Board, and the said James Collis is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

125. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. H. Good, Surveyor of the District of Bow and Poplar, requesting the appointment of Fees in respect of the superintendence of three unfinished houses of the height of three stories, which were built at Nos. 80, 81 and 82, Stebondale-street, Poplar, by Mr. George Smith, and are now required to be removed for the works of the Millwall Dock Company, and recommending that a fee of 30s. for each house, should be allowed.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and the District Surveyor be authorized to demand and receive the sum of 30s. for each house.

126. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st September, 1865, on the application of Captain W. C. Harris, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for Special Services, in relation to Dangerous Structures.

Resolved and **ordered**—That Fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 30, inclusive, and also specified in the summary of such Accounts, now presented to this Board, and signed by the Chairman, be paid to Mr. Charles Reeves, the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, for services performed by him in respect of Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London, such services being the surveying and reporting, by direction of the said Commissioner, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, on structures reported to be in a dangerous state; and also Special Services performed by him in cases in which special services have been required to be performed under the second part of the said Act, and for which no fees are specified in the second part of the second Schedule to the said Act.

Resolved and **ordered**,—That Fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 30, inclusive, and also specified in the summary of such Accounts, now presented to this Board, and signed by the Chairman, be paid to Mr. Charles Reeves, the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, for services performed by him in respect of Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London; such services being the surveying and reporting, by direction of the said Commissioner, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, on structures reported to be in a dangerous state; and also Special Services performed by him in cases in which special services have been required to be performed under the second part of the said Act, and for which no fees are specified in the second part of the second Schedule to the said Act.

127. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the Vestry of Bermondsey for permission to borrow the sum of £4,786, for defraying the cost of sewerage and other works within the Parish.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Vestry, dated 5th September, 1865, stating that they had arranged to borrow of the Atlas Insurance Company, the sum of £3,732, being the amount sanctioned by the Board on the 28th July last, (No. 9), and requesting a formal order for the same, whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Magdalen, Bermondsey, in the County of Surrey, have under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the rates leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of money in

such application mentioned, amounting in the whole to the sum of Four thousand seven hundred and eighty-six pounds, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses to the amount of One thousand pounds, incurred or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in the purchase of the Vestry Offices, and ground and buildings connected therewith, in Maltby-street, for the use of the Vestry of the said Parish; the sum of Two thousand and fifty pounds for the execution of sewerage works within the said Parish, and the sum of One thousand seven hundred and thirty-six pounds for improvements, amongst others, in Mill-street, Gun-alley, and Great Maze-pond, within the said Parish. And, whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it appears to the said Board that it is fit and proper that the sums hereinafter mentioned, parts of the said sum so applied for, should be borrowed by the said Vestry of the Parish aforesaid: Therefore, it is ordered that the sanction in writing of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of St. Mary, Magdalen, Bermondsey, of the Atlas Insurance Company, on the security of the rates leviable within the said Parish, as by law provided, of a sum of Three thousand seven hundred and thirty-two pounds in the whole, as follows, that is to say, the sum of One thousand pounds for defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by the said Vestry in the execution of the said Act, in the purchase of the Vestry Offices, and ground and buildings connected therewith, in Maltby-street, for the use of the Vestry of the said Parish; the sum of Two thousand and fifty pounds for the execution of sewerage works within the said Parish, and the sum of Six hundred and eighty-two pounds, residue of the said sum of Three thousand seven hundred and thirty-two pounds for improvements in Mill-street, Gun-alley, and Great Maze-pond, within the said Parish; such loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum, per annum, payable half-yearly, and the principal to be repaid by twenty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Bermondsey; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

128. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. James Parker, Vestry Clerk, Fulham, dated 8th August, 1865, forwarding a copy of a Resolution of the Vestry, passed at a Special Meeting, held on the 7th August last, as follows—

> That, although this Vestry cannot interfere in the question of building over the Western Extension Sewer, yet, bearing in mind the fact that the Legislature has recently refused to sanction the extension of the works of the Imperial Gas Light and Coke Company, in the Parish of Fulham, this Vestry cannot let the present opportunity pass, without recording their opinion, that any steps taken to increase such works, are highly objectionable, and ought not to be permitted.

129. The Clerk laid before the Board the following correspondence in relation to the proposed loans from the Bank of England of £300,000 and £600,000—

> Spring Gardens, S. W.,
> 4th August, 1865.
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> Sir,
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> Having laid before my Colleagues the proposition we discussed in reference to a loan for the works and improvements of the Board, together with the terms on which the Bank of England would be prepared to make the requisite advances, I am authorised to state that they agree to those terms,

that is to say, that the Bank of England should advance a sum of £300,000 for a term of 4 years, at 4½ per cent, on the security of the rates collected by the Board; that the Bank of England should advance a further sum of £600,000, for a term of 30 years, at the same rate of 4½ per cent; one-thirtieth part of the principal and interest to be paid annually, on the same security, viz.—the General Rates of the Board.

The Board adjourn to-day until the 22nd September, and immediately on resuming their sittings, I will communicate with you, as to the dates at which they will require advances to be made; these will need some consideration on their part, and that of their Officers, and I am not yet in a position to furnish the details, but I have thought it right to lose no time in intimating to you the general assent of my colleagues, to the principle of the proposed loan.

I presume there will be no objection to inserting in our agreement, the right of the Board to repay at any time, such portion of the cost of the Whitechapel Improvement, as may be reimbursed to them by the sale of portions of the land to be appropriated for building purposes.

I have, &c.,

(Signed) J. THWAITES,

Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

To the Governor of the Bank of England.

Bank of England, E.C.,

10th August, 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by the Governor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 4th instant, on the subject of the proposed loans to the Metropolitan Board of Works, of £300,000 and £600,000.

The same has this day been laid before the Court of Directors, and I am to acquaint you, that they have agreed to advance to the Board, a sum of £300,000 on the security of their General Rates, for a period of four years, at an interest of 4½ per cent., and also, a further sum of £600,000, (to be taken up from time to time), on the same security, and at the same rate, for a period of thirty years; one thirtieth part of the principal and interest to be paid annually, subject to the approval of the Bank, as to the dates and amounts of the several advances, which you are unable at the present time to specify.

I am also authorised to state, that there will be no objection to inserting in the Agreement the right of the Board to repay, at any time, such portion of the Whitechapel Improvement, as may be reimbursed to them, by the sale of portions of the land to be appropriated for building purposes, it being understood, however, that the sums repaid shall not be less than £5,000 each.

I am, &c.,

Sir John Thwaites, (Signed) HAMMOND CHUBB,

Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works. Secretary.

130. The Clerk laid before the Board, the following letters, viz.—

From the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, dated 7th August, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing by them of the sum of £5,000, towards the cost of the sewer to be constructed along the High road from Lee to Eltham, to be repaid by equal annual instalments, extending over a period of thirty years, with interest thereon; and also a further letter, dated 21st August, 1865, with particulars as to the financial condition of the Parish of Eltham.

From Mr. Thomas Roffey, Vestry Clerk, Lambeth, dated 20th September, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing, by the Vestry, of the sum of £6,000, for the execution of certain paving works.

From the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, dated 20th September, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing, by them, of the sum of £28,000, to defray the expenses of constructing new sewers in the Parish of Clapham, and forwarding particulars as to the financial condition of the District.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

131. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Henry Morgan, Secretary to the

Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, dated 24th August, 1865, notifying the appointment of Mr. Edmund Harvey as one of the Auditors of the Company, and requesting the Board to nominate the other Auditor, and also stating that the annual sum of £50 had been voted to each of the Auditors, as a compensation for their services.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

132. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. R. Druitt, President of the Association of Medical Officers of Health, dated 25th August, 1865, forwarding copies of a Return from Metropolitan Medical Officers of Health, relative to Cows and the Cattle Plague.

133. The Clerk laid before the Board a communication from the Churchwardens of Spitalfields, requesting a contribution towards the expenses of repairing, &c., the Parish Church.

Resolved—That the Clerk do inform the Churchwardens, that the Board have no funds at their disposal out of which they are able to contribute towards the proposed work.

134. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Sampson Low, Jun., Secretary to the Royal Society for the Protection of Life from Fire, dated 30th August, 1865, forwarding copies of the Annual Report of the Society.

135. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. A. Stewart Harrison, dated 4th September, 1865, requesting permission to submit for inspection his Self-acting Preserver Valve for extinguishing fires.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the subject of the Fire Brigade.

136. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Thomas Ellis, dated 7th September, 1865, on the subject of sureties being named in Tenders for the Sewage of the Metropolis.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references, on the same subject.

137. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 12th September, 1865, urging the formation of Southwark-park as early as possible.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee.

138. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hawks and Stokes, Vestry Clerks, Rotherhithe, dated 12th September, 1865, forwarding a Plan of a piece of ground, which the Vestry had arranged to purchase for the purpose of widening a part of Rotherhithe-street, and requesting a contribution towards the cost of the improvement, amounting to £455.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

139. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from Mr. Rice Jones, dated 25th August, 1865, requesting an appointment for the reception of a Deputation from the inhabitants of Millwall, to present a Memorial relative to the state of the open sewers in West Ferry-road, Millwall, and reported that he had informed the writer it would be necessary the Deputation should be introduced by one of the Members of the Board.

140. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from Mr. Thomas Morris, dated 18th September, 1865, with suggestions for the ventilation of house drains.

141. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from the Poor Law Board, dated the 22nd August, 1865, stating that under the combined authority of the Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 27 and 28 Vic. c. 116, and the 28 and 29 Vic., c. 34, they had allowed to the Guardians of the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, the sum of £400 in respect of the cost of temporarily providing and maintaining Wards for the Houseless Poor.

The Clerk also laid before the Board, letters from the following Unions and Parishes, &c., applying for the reimbursement of sums expended by them in respect of relief afforded to poor persons, under the provisions of the Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864.

Date.	Union or Parish.	Amount applied for.	Enclosures in Letters.
1865.		£ s. d.	
August 2	City of London	167 10 0	
,, 5	St. Marylebone	241 3 9	Certificate of Auditor.
,, ,,	Poplar	195 0 0 (And also for the amount already applied for, and certified by the Auditor.)	Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the sum of £195.
,, 8	Paddington	48 0 0	
,, ,,	Strand	165 11 0	Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the sum of £88.
,, 9	Kensington	48 0 0	Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the amount.
,, 11	Mile End Old Town	57 0 0 (In addition to amount certified by Auditor as payable to Lady-day last.)	Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the sum of £57.
,, 16	St. Pancras	18 0 0	Extract from letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the amount.
,, 23	Ditto	9 2 8	Copy Certificate of Auditor.
,, 21	Shoreditch	18 11 6	Certificate of Auditor, and Copy Certificate of Poor Law Board that proper Wards have been provided.
September 6	Wandsworth and Clapham ...	191 17 8	Copy Certificate of Auditor.
,, 13	Stepney.....	51 13 4 (Already applied for.)	
,, 13	St. James, Westminster	451 0 0	Letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the amount.
,, 15	Fulham.....	64 18 6	Copy Certificate of Auditor, and Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing £44.
,, 18	St. Giles-in-the-Fields and St. George, Bloomsbury...	75 0 0	Copy letter from Poor Law Board, allowing the amount.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the same subject.

142. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Charles F. Dennet, dated 20th August, 1865, forwarding, for the acceptance of the Board, twelve books, as undermentioned, and suggesting that the Board should send out a Special Commission to the United States, to obtain information as to the formation and working of the Fire Brigades there:—

1.—Municipal Register, 1862, of City Charter Ordinances of the City of Boston, 8vo.
2.—Report and General Plan for the Promotion of Public and Personal Health, by a Commission relative to a Sanitary Survey of the State of Massachusetts, 8vo.
3.—Report of the Board of Trade of the City of Boston, matters respecting Railways, Harbour, &c., &c., &c., 8vo.
4.—Proceedings and Debates of a *National* Convention, Quarantine, and Sanitary Convention held in Boston, 8vo.
5.—Address of Governor Andrew, of Massachusetts, to the Senate and Legislature, 1865, 8vo.
6.—Proceedings—Opening Public Library of Boston, 8vo.
7.—The United States Sanitary Commission, 8vo.
8.—The Sanitary Commission of the United States Army, its works and purposes, 8vo.
9.—Do. in French, with Account of the Military Hospitals of the United States (with plates), Plans of Buildings and Railway Hospital Carriages, 8vo.
10.—Military, Medical, and Surgical Essays, prepared for the United States Sanitary Commission, 8vo.
11.—Narrative of Privations and Sufferings of the United States Officers and Soldiers—*Northerns*—prisoners of war in the hands of the Rebels, with an Appendix of testimony, and plates, 8vo.
12.—The United States Sanitary Commission, its purposes and work, from documents and private papers, 8vo.

Resolved—That the Clerk do acknowledge the receipt of the said letter, and convey the thanks of the Board for the books, &c., forwarded.

143. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Thomas A. Blake, dated 13th September, 1865, with suggestions for ventilating sewers, by means of shafts of considerable altitude.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration in connection with the former references on the same subject.

144. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Lewis M. Becker, dated 7th September, 1865, submitting a Copy of a proposal for the formation of a Metropolitan Salvage Corps.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 29th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 34.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **29th** day of **September,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq,	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
James Brooker, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 22nd September instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. Mr. Dalton handed in the copy of a communication from several of the Inhabitants of Leicester-square, addressed to the Chairman of the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, as follows—

41, Leicester-square, W.C.,
25th September, 1865.

Sir,

We, the Inhabitants of Leicester-square, beg to bring to your notice the fact that, at the present time, there are several dead animals hanging in a tree at the South-East corner of the square, the smell from which is especially offensive.

We also state that there is a practice, by some persons, but who we are unable to state, of casting dead animals, and refuse of various kinds, inside the railings as well as in the roadway, which is extremely detrimental and offensive to the inhabitants and passers-by.

We shall feel obliged by the removal of the existing nuisances, as well as steps being taken to prevent a recurrence of the same.

We have addressed a similar letter to the Chairman of the Vestry, Soho.

We are, &c.,

To the Chairman of the Vestry of St. Martin-in-the-Fields.

(Signed) ALEX. F. RIDGEWAY,
And 30 others.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That the said communication be referred to the Superintending Architect, and that he be instructed to watch the state of the enclosed garden of the square, from time to time, with a view to the abatement of any nuisances which may occur.

3. Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated September 28th, 1865, stating that in consequence of the works of the Millwall Docks, now progressing, the Great Barnfield Main Sewer was frequently filled to overflowing, causing the sewage to flow back into the cellars of the houses.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Engineer, and that he do report thereon at the meeting of the Board, on Friday next.

4. Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Poplar District Board of Works, dated September 27th, 1865, stating that the Surveyor to the District Board had reported that Ranwell-street, Bow, had not been formed of the width set out in the tracing received from this Board, under date of 20th January, 1864, nor as required by this Board, as notified to the District Board, on the 26th February, 1864.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Dalton, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Superintending Architect, for report.

5. The Clerk laid before the Board a Power of Attorney, authorizing the Chairman of the Board to sell and transfer the sum of £18,198 11s., New 3 per cent. Annuities, standing in the name of the Board, in the books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England, in accordance with the resolution of the Board on Friday last, (No. 4).

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Power of Attorney; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That a Cheque be now drawn for £50,000, for payment of the second instalment, due on the 1st October next, of the Loan of £400,000 from the Bank of England, for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Current Account, accordingly.

6. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
26th September, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 25th September, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 25th September, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	22,610 4 1	120,000 0 0	142,610 4 1	.....	885 15 8	4,031 4 6	4,917 0 2
Covent Garden Approach	596 8 9	.....	596 8 9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	2,920 10 0	.....	2,920 10 0	.....	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	128 13 11	.....	128 13 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	4,237 16 5	.....	4,237 16 5	.....	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	30,575 17 8	120,000 0 0	150,575 17 8	.....	890 15 8	4,036 6	4,927 0 2
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	53,217 13 8	.....	53,217 13 8	.....	2,616 15 0	8,123 18 0	10,740 13 0
Thames Embankment (North)	266,287 14 5	.....	266,287 14 5	.....	286 11 4	11,351 5 0	11,637 16 4
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	18,198 11 0	.....	.....	.....
£	350,081 5 9	120,000 0 0	470,081 5 9	18,198 11 0	3,794 2 0	23,511 7 6	27,305 9 6

Your Committee have also had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received between 19th and 25th September, 1865—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
Rates—		
St. George, Hanover Square - - - - -	349 0 0	
Return of amount advanced to meet payment of wages during the recess - - - - - -	600 0 0	
		949 0 0
Covent Garden Approach.		
Rents—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	- -	42 16 3
Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
Rates—		
St. George, Hanover Square - - - -	- -	364 0 0
Metropolis Main Drainage.		
Return of amount advanced to meet payment of wages during the recess - - - - - -	- -	700 0 0
Thames Embankment, North.		
Rents—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	28 19 0	
Return of amount advanced to meet payment of wages during the recess - - - - - -	250 0 0	
		278 19 0
		£ 2,334 15 3

Your Committee have examined the Certificates for the payment to the Contractors and others of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified in the Statement, submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £18,433 4s. 7d., be paid.

Your Committee beg to submit, for the information of the Board, the following Report by the Engineer, relative to the Cheques which were drawn on the 4th August last, for payments to the Contractors during the recess—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
22nd September, 1865.

I beg to report that I have given Certificates to the several Contractors for the following amounts, for which Cheques were drawn by the Board on the 4th of August last, to be paid during the recess—

Main Drainage Works.

Webster, William, Southern Low Level Sewer - -	£3,000	In Two Cheques of £1,000 each, and Two of £500 each.
Do. Crossness, Kent - - - -	5,400	In One Cheque.
Do. Northern Low Level Sewer - -	24,000	In Three Cheques, viz.—One of £12,000, and Two of £6,000 each.
Do. Pumping Station, Abbey Mills - -	5,000	In One Cheque.
Dethick, William, Greenwich Sewers - - - -	1,017	In One Cheque.
	1,000	Do. do.
Slaughter and Co., Deptford Pumping Engines - -	500	In One Cheque.
	250	Do. do.
Moxon, William, Western Sewers Extension - - -	200	In One Cheque.
	£40,367	

General to the Metropolis.

Moxon, William, Falcon Brook - - - - -	1,000	In Two Cheques of £500 each.
Wainwright, T., White Post-lane - - - - -	500	In One Cheque.
Hill and Co., Woolwich Sewers - - - - -	500	Do. do.
Thirst, E., Ranelagh Sewers - - - - -	2,000	Do. do.
Dethick, William, Finsbury-square, City-road - -	3,000	In Two Cheques of £1,500 each.
	£7,000	

Thames Embankment.

Furness, G., Contract No. 1 - - - - -	18,000	One Cheque for £10,000. One do. for 5,000, and One do. for 3,000.
Ritson and Co., Contract No. 2 - - - - -	12,000	In Two Cheques of £6,000 each.
	£30,000	
Total amount paid - - -	£77,367	

Cheques drawn, but not yet paid away—

Webster, William, Pumping Station, Abbey-mills - -	5,000	In One Cheque.
Moxon, William, Western Sewers Extension - - -	200	In One Cheque.
	£5,200	
Total - - -	£82,567	

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Your Committee recommend—

That the Bank of London be requested to return the two Cheques, drawn in favour of Mr. Webster and Mr. Moxon, and referred to in the Report.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	General Account.		
MOXON, W., Contractor—			
(1-6488)	Further on account of Contract for Covering and Diversion of Falcon Brook Sewer - -	500 0 0	
HEMANS, G. W., C.E.—			
(1-6489)	Professional charges, *re* Fleet Sewer accident -	157 10 0	
DOUGLAS, J., Surveyor—			
(1-6490)	Professional charges, *re* Fleet Sewer accident -	52 10 0	
ABBOTT, BARTON, AND CO.—			
(1-6491)	Bill for advertisements, *re* Camberwell sewers -	28 18 6	
WATERLOW AND SONS—			
(1-6492)	Bill for lithography, &c.—March, 1865 - -	11 8 4	
RUFF, E.—			
(1-6493)	Bill for mounting Plans, &c.—January to May, 1865 -	27 19 1	
ALDIN, A., Collector—			
(1-6494)	Poor and other Rates for Gas Meter Testing House, Westminster, made May, 1865 - -	16 15 5	
COURROUX, A. F., Collector—			
(1-6495)	House, Land, and Income Taxes for Office, Spring Gardens, due September, 1865 - - -	47 3 4	
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—			
(1-6496)	For property taken for Northern and Southern Outfall Sewers, &c., &c. - - - -	53 0 8	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(1-6497)	Week ending 20th September, 1865 - -	120 15 4	
ALLOWANCE FOR PREPARING AND MAKING RATES—			
	St. George Hanover Square, Precept 1865—		
(1-6498)	Smith, J., Collector - - - £10 0 0		
(1-6499)	Eustace, E. ,, - - - 10 0 0		
		20 0 0	
			1,036 0 8
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
LONDON ASSURANCE—			
(3-314)	One Year's Insurance of premises, Southwark Street, due 29th September, 1865 - - - - -		2 12 6
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
SLAUGHTER AND CO., Contractors—			
(8-1892)	Final payment for Contract works, &c.—constructing Engines, &c., at Deptford Pumping Station (No. 7.)	243 6 10	
WATT, J., AND CO., Contractors—			
(8-1893)	Further on account of Contract works—constructing Engines, &c., at Southern Outfall Pumping Station (No. 16A) - - - - -	5,000 0 0	
	Carried forward - -	£5,243 6 10	£1,038 13 2

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Weekly Wages—	Brought forward - -	5,243 6 10	1,038 13 2
(8-1894) Week ending 20th September, 1865	- -		
			5,334 3 6
	Thames Embankment, North.		
Furness, G., Contractor—			
(9-665) Further on account of Contract No. 1, including plant and material	- - - -	12,000 0 0	
Weekly Wages—			
(9-666) Week ending 20th September, 1865	- - -	31 11 6	
Petty Cash Payments—			
(9-667) To 31st August, 1865	- - - -	28 16 5	
			12,060 7 11
	Total - -		£ 18,433 4 7

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CYRUS LEGG.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £18,433 4s. 7d. be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Bank of London be requested to return the two cheques, drawn on the 4th of August last, in favour of Mr. Webster and Mr. Moxon, and not handed to those gentlemen, as mentioned in the Report of the Engineer.

7. Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor handed in a paper containing the following questions, with a view to their being answered by the Engineer, at the meeting of the Board, on Friday next, viz.—

"What is the amount of Mr. Furness's Contract for his portion of the Northern "Thames Embankment?

"When did he commence, and by what time is he bound to complete his Contract?

"If he fails to complete by the time specified, what are the penalties attached?

"What is the amount, in money value, of work done, including materials and "plant on the ground, and how much does it give, per month, for progress "in the past, and what is required in the future, per month, to complete "the Contract within the time specified?

"Looking at the present state of the works, and the large sums already ad- "vanced, will there be sufficient security left for power to enforce the "penalties, if need be?"

(Similar particulars, in relation to Messrs. Ritson and Co's. Contract, to be also furnished.)

8. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
26th September, 1865.

Your Committee have to Report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd instant (No. 29), they have considered the Sureties proposed by Mr. Moxon, for the due execution of the work of covering-over the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and Putney Boundary Main Sewers, &c., his Tender for which was accepted by the Board on 4th August last (No. 1), subject to the usual enquiries. With regard to one of the Sureties proposed, your Solicitor, on searching for judgments, found a Crown debt for £40,000 registered against him, which in the opinion of your Committee, disqualified him for acceptance by the Board as Surety. They desire, however, to state that the name of another person has been submitted in his stead. In the course of their enquiries, your Committee have learnt that complaints have been made by the Wandsworth District Board of the slow progress which is being made by Mr. Moxon, in the work of covering-over and diverting the Falcon Brook sewer; this last named work is one that is very important should be completed at as early a date as possible, as the present open Falcon Brook is a source of great nuisance and danger to the health of the inhabitants of the neighbourhood. Your Committee deem it expedient that Mr. Moxon should proceed with the works in connection with this sewer as rapidly as possible, and in order that he may devote the whole of his energy thereto, they do not think it advisable that a work of such magnitude (and which is equally pressing with the other) as the covering-over of the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and other Main sewers, should be entrusted to him, at the present moment. They have therefore, after much deliberation, determined to recommend your Honorable Board not to proceed further with Mr. Moxon's Tender. Your Committee have referred to the Minutes of the Board of the 4th August last, and they find that the Engineer's Estimate for the works in question, was £42,000. The next lowest tender to Mr. Moxon's is that of Mr. Thomas Pearson, for the sum of £45,600, and they recommend that his Tender be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Your Committee have further to state that, agreeably to the Resolution of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 30), they have carefully examined the Drawings and Specification for the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and they recommend the same for the approval of your Honorable Board, and that advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for the work, such Tenders to be opened on the 10th November next.

Your Committee have also to report that, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 52), they have considered the letter from Mr. Hope, on behalf of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, suggesting that the Board should bear one half of the expense incurred in collecting samples of Sewage at Bow, for the purpose of making experiments therewith. Your Committee are of opinion that these experiments were made in the interest of the Company, and they see no reason why any portion of the expense should be borne by the Board. They cannot, therefore, recommend your Honorable Board to accede to the request of the Company.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd instant, (No. 5), considered the letter from Mr. Morgan, the Secretary of the above named Company, notifying the appointment of Mr. Edward Harvey as one of the Auditors of the Company, and requesting this Board to nominate the other Auditor. Your Com-

mittee feel it important that the Board should be well informed, from time to time, as to the position of the Company, and that some one, in whom they have entire confidence, should fill the office of Auditor on their behalf. They think these ends would best be answered if the Accountant of the Board were chosen for the appointment. The duties of the Office will not interfere with the other work of the Accountant, while, by this arrangement, the Board would have the means of arriving at fuller information as to the affairs of the Company than through a stranger. The stipend attached to the office is £50 a year. Your Committee recommend—

That the Accountant of the Board be appointed, on behalf of the Board, to Audit the Accounts of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered an application from Mr. H. Nowlan, on behalf of Mr. Catchpole, for permission to erect a shed on the site of the Earl Sewer, passing through his property in Plough-road, Rotherhithe. It appears that the portion of the Sewer in question, was, some years since, covered over by Mr. Catchpole, at his own expense, and the Engineer now reports that there is no objection to his present proposition to erect a shed. Your Committee recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the work be done under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and that an agreement be entered into, reserving the rights of the Board in connection with the Sewer.

Your Committee have further to Report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd instant, (No. 12), they have considered the subject of the accident which occurred in the Main sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, through the existence of foul air therein. The Engineer caused a bottle of the sewage to be obtained from that part of the sewer where the accident occured, in order that it might be tested, and your Committee recommend—

That Dr. Letheby be requested to test the same, and to report the result of his examination to the Board.

Your Committee at the same time took into consideration the services rendered on the occasion by Mr. W. Rutter and Mr. Thomas Evans, in saving the lives of the flushers who were overcome by the foul air. It appears that they were passing by the sewer at the time of the accident, and hearing from one of the men that two of his companions were lying down senseless in the Sewer, they immediately, at the risk of their own lives, descended, and succeeded, with assistance, in raising the two men into the street. Your Committee are of opinion that some acknowledgement should be made to Messrs. Rutter and Evans for their praiseworthy conduct, and they recommend—

That a gratuity of £5 5s. each be paid to them.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the claim of Mr. John Morgan, for compensation for damage to his land in Queen's-road, Hammersmith, by the execution of the Main Drainage works. This claim was settled by Mr. Oakley at £30, and on the 22nd April, 1864, (No. 18), a Cheque for that amount was drawn in favor of Mr. Morgan. Up to this time, however, Mr. Morgan has refused to complete his arrangement with your Honorable Board, and, on the 2nd June last, (No. 11), the Cheque, being then more than

a year overdue, was cancelled, by direction of the Board. Mr. Morgan, through his Solicitor, now expresses his willingness to accept the £30, and your Committee therefore recommend—

That a Cheque for that amount be drawn on the Main Drainage Account, and paid over to Mr. Morgan, accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
GEO. PECKETT.

The Report having been read and received,

Read a Letter, as follows—

24, New Street, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
28th September, 1865.

Sir,

I am informed that the Main Drainage Committee, on Tuesday, passed a Resolution that the Board should be recommended at their next Meeting, on Friday, to accept the next Tender to mine for the Heathwall Sewer, on the ground of the enquiry as to my proposed Sureties not being satisfactory.

When I proposed those Sureties, I believed them both to be perfectly responsible for the surety-ship, and I shall be quite prepared, if the Board do not think they are sufficient, to provide others to whom there can be no objection.

I am told, however, that complaints have been made against me on account of the slow progress of the works at the Falcon Brook Sewer.

With reference to this, I would beg to be allowed to represent to the Board these facts—

The works were commenced by me about seven weeks ago. Within a week of that time, and before any of the brickwork could be commenced, I was laid up with a very violent attack of bronchitis, so severe indeed that at one time my life was almost despaired of. My recovery from this has been slow and gradual. I remained in town so that I might be near the works and have regular reports, till the doctor assured me I was perilling my constitution by remaining, and I have now returned to town at some risk, and in a very weak state to attend to business, when I really ought to be away.

In this unfortunate state of affairs, I trust the Board will see some excuse for the slow progress of the works. I endeavoured by all the means in my power to supply the want made by my absence; but I need scarcely remind gentlemen of experience, such as the Board is composed of, that such works as these always lag, without close and strict personal supervision.

I beg also to be allowed to refer to another cause which has delayed the works considerably, and which has been entirely beyond my control.

The brickwork has to be done with breast bricks, and I have only been able to obtain these from one quarter; and even then, not in such quantities as to enable me to push on the works as I desired. I was prepared to, and do, pay cash for every freight as it was delivered, and offered the same terms for any quantity. It is the fact, that for some weeks I have had an agent employed solely in searching after the class of bricks I require, and I hope that, with his exertions and my own attention, I shall be able now to obtain a fuller supply.

I have taken the liberty of representing these facts very fully to the Board, as I feel they cannot be within the knowledge of the Members, and I scarcely think that they will consider me blameable for the delay which has taken place, seeing it was so entirely beyond my control.

Should the Heathwall Contract be taken away, it will be a most serious matter to me. It will much hamper my carrying on the Falcon Brook Sewer, as the two ought to be in one hand, as they

lie so much together, and I could carry on the Heathwall Contract with the same amount of supervision which I shall have to give to the Falcon Brook.

In addition to this, relying on the Resolution of the Board, passed in August, accepting my Tender, I have contracted for, and have actually on the ground, large quantities of timber, with which, without delay, to commence the Heathwall Contract.

I may mention that I shall be able to make arrangements for the satisfactory and speedy completion of both Contracts, and that should the Board not think the names of the Sureties I have put forward satisfactory, I should be prepared to put in others to which no objection whatever could be taken.

I trust that the Board will take these facts, which I have stated, into consideration, and will not deprive me of the Heathwall Contract; the doing so would be, as I have already said, of the most serious consequences to me, and I had looked forward to my recouping myself by means of this Contract and the Falcon Brook Contract, of some of the heavy losses, which it is well known I have heretofore experienced in the execution of my works under the Board. I should not make the appeal I now do to the favorable consideration of the Board, were it not that I feel that nothing I could have done could have altered the position of matters.

I must apologize for troubling you at this length, but I could not well express myself in less space.

I am, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq., (Signed) W. MOXON.
Metropolitan Board of Works.

Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.
28th September, 1865.

On letter from the Wandsworth District Board, calling attention to the slow progress made by Mr. Moxon in the execution of the Falcon Brook sewerage works, and expressing a hope that the same may proceed more rapidly, as constant complaints are being made to that Board of the obstruction to the traffic.

The complaint of the District Board is well grounded. The value of the work done is only about £1,700, instead of about £4,000 or £5,000, which ought to represent the amount done at this time, as the order to commence was given on the 24th July last. The difficulty seems to be in getting a sufficient supply of materials, more particularly of Cement, which comes upon the works in such small quantities that there is constant risk of stopping for the want of it.

Mr. Moxon has had a copy of the letter forwarded to him, with a request that he would make much more rapid progress with the works; he has, however, been dangerously ill, and therefore unable to give any personal attention to them.

I recommend that the Wandsworth District Board be informed to the above effect.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

The Chairman handed in a letter, addressed to him by Mr. Clench and Mr. Hardwick, the Sureties proposed by Mr. Moxon, dated 29th September, 1865, relative to their responsibility.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That so much of the Report of the Committee as relates to the contract with Mr. Moxon, for covering-over, &c., the Heathwall and other sewers, be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration, together with the letters from Mr. Moxon, and his proposed Sureties, presented to the Board this day.

Resolved—That the Report of the Engineer on the letter from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, be approved; and that a communication be addressed to the District Board, as recommended therein.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That the Drawings and Specification of the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, submitted with the Report of the Committee, be approved; and that Advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the works, such Tenders to be opened on the 10th November, next.

An **amendment** thereon was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned until Friday next; and that in the meantime a copy of the Drawings and Specification be sent to each Member of the Board.

After discussion, the motion was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn; and the **amendment**, having been put to the vote as an **original motion**, was carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Board bearing a moiety of the expenses incurred in the collection of samples of Sewage, at Bow, be approved and adopted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That Mr. Edward Hughes, the Accountant of the Board, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Auditor, on behalf of the Board, to audit the Accounts of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Nowlan, on behalf of Mr. Catchpole, for permission to erect a shed on the site of the Earl Sewer, traversing his property at Plough-lane, Rotherhithe, be granted, on condition that the work be done under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and that an agreement be entered into, reserving the rights of the Board in connection with the Sewer.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That Dr. Letheby be requested to test the sample of Sewage taken from the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, at the time of the recent accident, and report the result thereof to the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That a gratuity of £5 5s. each be paid to Mr. Rutter and Mr. Evans, as an acknowledgement of the services rendered by them in saving the lives of the flushing-men, who were overcome by foul air, while working in the sewer in Blackman-street, Borough.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That a Cheque for £30 be drawn in favor of Mr. J. Morgan, in full satisfaction of his claim, for alleged damage to his land in Queen's-road, Hammersmith; and a Cheque was drawn on the Main Drainage Account accordingly.

9. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
27th September, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority given to them by the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn Cheques as follow, for payments in connexion with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

	£	s.	d.
Re Sercombe's Trustees, (11½, 12, 13, Bennett's-hill and Harrow-court)—			
Solicitor's taxed costs (Mr. R. M. Reece) - - - -	113	10	11
Ditto ditto (Messrs. Rogerson and Ford) - -	33	9	9
Re McAdam (Nos. 44 and 45, Watling-street)—			
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Farrer, Ouvry, and Farrer) - -	40	14	2
Surveyor's costs (Mr. Edward I'Anson) - - - -	25	10	0
Re Bridge (No. 26, Bread-street-hill)—			
Solicitor's costs (Mr. N. S. E. Steinberg) - - - -	25	6	8
Re George Smith's Devisees (No. 18, Poultry)—			
Solicitor's costs of Title (Mr. Charles Morgan) - - -	48	2	7
Re Church (No. 6, Old Fish-street)—			
Half-year's Rent of premises, due Midsummer last - -	67	6	4

Your Committee have also to report that they have proceeded on the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd instant, (No. 19), referring it to them to consider as to the advisability of the Board appointing an Officer to inspect Railway Bridges after completion, and to report whether the conditions imposed by the Board have been complied with. Your Committee have conferred with your Engineer upon this subject, and they find from his statements, it will be necessary, in order to insure the conditions imposed by the Board being complied with, that the Bridges should not only be inspected after completion, but that there should be an occasional supervision of them during the progress of their construction. Your Committee deem it of great importance that care should be taken to prevent any departure by the Railway Companies from the conditions imposed by the Board, and having given careful consideration to the matter, they are of opinion that the duty should devolve upon the Assistant Engineers of the Board, who should, from time to time, report the result of their examination to the Engineer, in order that he may lay the same before your Honorable Board, and they accordingly recommend that course for adoption.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed). J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
GEO. PECKETT.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That it form part of the duties of the Assistant Engineers of the Board to inspect the Railway Bridges in the Metropolis, during construction and after completion, with a view of ascertaining that the works are executed strictly in accordance with the terms and conditions imposed by the Board.

10. Mr. Robert Taylor having, by leave of the Board, modified the motion, notice of which had been given by him, and was inserted in the paper of business for this day, moved—"That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to report generally on the payment of District Surveyors by Fees; on the extent, value, and convenience of the present Districts, and on the expediency of their fusion and re-arrangement; also, as to the advisability of directing the payment of the Fees collected under the Act into a common fund, out of which to defray the payment of a staff of salaried Officers, devoting their whole time to the public service."

The motion having been seconded by Mr. Newton, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

11. The Board resumed the consideration of the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras, for permission to borrow the sum of £50,000, for defraying the cost of paving works within the Parish.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Plaw, Clerk to the Vestry, dated 27th September, 1865, stating that the Vestry had completed an arrangement to borrow £27,500 (part of the £50,000), and requesting to be furnished with a sealed copy of the formal Order for the same, whereupon it was resolved and ordered as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of St Pancras, in the County of Middlesex, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Parliament, passed in the 19th year of the Reign of Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to an intended Loan to the said Vestry, on the security of the Rates leviable within the said Parish, and applicable thereto according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum of £50,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses to be incurred in the execution of certain works of paving, within the said Parish. And whereas, this Board has duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid. And whereas, the said Vestry have also applied to this Board for its sanction to borrow the sum of £27,500, part of the said sum of £50,000, on the terms and in the manner, and repayable at the dates, after-mentioned, that is to say—

£27,500, part of the said sum of £50,000 to be borrowed with interest, at the rate of five pounds per cent. per annum, and repayable at the several times hereinafter stated, and within 20 years from the dates of the respective advances—

To be borrowed in	£	To be repaid in	To be borrowed in	£	To be repaid in
October, 1865	1,000	October, 1866	January, 1866	1,000	January, 1878
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1867	,,	1,000	,, 1879
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1868	,,	1,000	,, 1880
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1869	,,	1,000	,, 1881
November, 1865	1,000	November, 1870	February 1866	1,000	January 1882
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1871	,,	1,000	,, 1883
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1872	,,	1,000	,, 1884
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000	,, 1873	,,	1,000	,, 1885
December, 1865	1,000	December, 1874	July, 1866	500	
,,	375		,,	500	
,,	1,000	,, 1875	,,	500	July 1886
,,	375		,,	375	
,,	1,000.	,, 1876			
,,	375			£12,125	
,,	1,000	,, 1877			
	15,375	- - - -		£15,375	
				£27,500	

And whereas, it appears to this Board fit and proper that the applications should be complied with; therefore it is **Ordered,** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of St. Pancras, on the security of the Rates leviable within the said Parish, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, of a sum not exceeding £50,000, for the purpose of defraying the expenses to be incurred in the execution of the

said works of paving within the said Parish, such Loan to bear Interest at a rate not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, and to be repaid within a period not exceeding 20 years from the respective times of the advances and payments to the said Vestry, and that as to the sum of £27,500, part thereof, the same be borrowed on the terms and in manner and be repayable at the times hereinbefore recited; and as to the residue of the said sum of £50,000, the same be secured on the terms to be hereafter determined, and to be sanctioned by this Board.

The Clerk laid before the Board copies, in duplicate, of the foregoing Order.

It was moved by Mr. Healey, seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that they be transmitted to the Vestry of St. Pancras; and the Seal was affixed, accordingly.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th September, 1865, on the undermentioned works, proposed to be executed by the following Vestry and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
WANDSWORTH.				
Winstanley-road, Meyrick-rd., Palk-road, Newcomer-road, Knox-road, and Currie-road, Battersea Estate . .	about 1,748	15 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
	about 1,994	12 „	„	
Streatham Turnpike-road and Manor-park, Streatham .	about 2,441	3′3″×2′0″	½ brick	The half brick sewer to be surrounded with concrete.
	1,930	18 inch	pipe	
CAMBERWELL.				
Albert-road, Peckham . .	600	3′0″×2′0″	brick	The same as applied for.
	1,400	15 inch	pipe	
	200	12 „	„	
LEWISHAM.				
Wells road, Sydenham . .	420	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
New-road, Dulwich-road, Penge	568	12 inch	„	
Between North Kent Railway and Granville-park . .	500	15 inch	„	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th September, 1865, on a letter from Mr. E. J. Bumstead, No. 1, Romney-terrace, Greenwich, applying for compensation for loss in trade, &c., alleged to have been sustained by him, in consequence of the obstruction to the traffic by the shaft and pumping engine, in connection with the Greenwich and Deptford sewerage works, being erected close to his shop, setting forth the facts, and submitting whether, as an exceptional case, it should be referred to the Main Drainage Committee.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the claim be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

14. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
28th September, 1865.

Extract from Board Minutes, 22nd September, 1865.

"Resolved—That the Engineer do report to the Board, on Friday next, what pro-
"gress has been made in connecting the North End Sewer, belonging to the
"Fulham District Board, with the Western Sewers of this Board."

The short length of connecting sewer in question, is situated between Dawe's-lane, where it is bounded by the new Western Sewer, and North End, where the new local sewer terminates. The works are in open cutting, nearly 30 feet deep, in quicksands and soil largely charged with water, and when they were started by Mr. Thirst, on the 8th of last month, the Western Sewer at the one end had 13 feet of water in it, and the North End Sewer, at the other extremity, 8 feet, and at the present time the water is fully 7 feet deep; 200 feet from the extremity of the latter sewer.

Between the 4th ultimo and the 20th instant, Mr. Moxon was engaged in removing a dam from, and in filling up two sumps in the Western Sewers Main line, at points below Mr. Thirst's connecting works. These works of Mr. Moxon were essential, and the indispensable operations connected therewith, caused Mr. Thirst's works to be impeded, and, for a considerable period, wholly flooded them. The last obstruction below Mr. Thirst's works was only removed on the 20th instant, since when, they have been progressing as vigorously as their nature will permit. The ground for the whole length has been partially excavated, and it is nearly down to the full depth for a length of about 60 feet, and the Contractor anticipates that he will complete the works in about five weeks, from this time.

With respect to the complaint of the Contractor having sunk a new sump for the purpose of his works, instead of using the old one, I have to report that there was no existing work of this description on any part of the Board's works available for his operations. There was one near the termination of the North End Local Sewer, belonging to the Contractors, who executed that sewer for the District Board, but, as Mr. Thirst states in his letter, submitted herewith, it was placed at the wrong end of his works, and its use would thus, as a necessary consequence, have involved the pumping of the whole of the water from the over-charged North End Sewer (now more than 7 feet deep, 200 feet off), a length of more than 6,000 feet, and the continued draining of this sewer, as well as of those at Hammersmith, beyond this point, which are now being carried out for the Fulham District Board, by other Contractors, by the same costly process, without compensating advantages, and, of course, at the expense of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Copy of Letter referred to in the foregoing Report.

John-street, Chelsea,
September 26th, 1865.

Connection of Fulham Sewers with the Western Drainage, at Walham Green.

Sir,

In reply to your letter of the 25th instant, I beg to say that every possible means, that is consistent for the carrying out of such work, has been devised, and even more than that, by having a larger Murray's Pump in reserve, in case of the present one not being of a sufficient power.

The Fulham sewers, lately constructed with no outfall, have become fully charged with water, and some feet up the shaft holes has been percolating its way into the works, and an opening was made into the end of a branch, leading out of the Western Drainage, some weeks since, to allow better facility of draining the ground, during which time I have been engaged in sinking a sump, for the execution of the works, and its progress has been delayed in consequence of some connection being made on the Western sewers, and the water from the Chiswick branch being diverted, and allowed to flow into the works, at Walham Green.

As regards the sinking of a new sump, and not using the old one, I did not consider *the old*, as so termed, which was the property of a Fulham Contractor, to be in the proper position for the due exe-

cution of the works, and, moreover, had its position been where I had considered the right place, I should have had to pump out the whole of the Fulham Main Line, and its connections extending to Brook-green, and Broadway, Hammersmith, before commencing my works; presuming I had done such a thing, it is just possible the old sump would not have been sufficiently deep enough, being at the wrong end of the works.

The water from the Western Drainage has now been allowed to follow its original course, so that it is not at present disharging into the works at Walham-green, and the new sump is down at its proper depth; a 12-horse power engine is at work, with a 10″ Murray's Pump, of sufficient power, at present, to do its requirements, and the work is now in a fair way of progressing, and in all probability, should no other obstacle present itself, will be completed in about five weeks from this date.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) Pro E. THIRST,
J. SMITH.

Thos. Lovick, Esq.

It was moved by Mr. Lammin, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That Mr. Lovick be requested to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

15. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
28th September, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 27th instant —

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	1,260	2,801
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	...	...
	1,260	2,801

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 27th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	87,467	155,645
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	94,331	165,821

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 260,152 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th September, 1865, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 4th August last (No. 13), stating, with reference to the complaint made by the Authorities of the War Office, of the offensive condition of the open ditches at Plumstead-marshes, that they were under the jurisdiction of the Plumstead District Board; that this Board had, more than two years ago, completed an efficient Outfall

Sewer for the drainage of that District, and the District Board had submitted Plans for effecting that drainage, which were duly approved by this Board on the 11th November, 1864; that the execution of a portion of the works comprehended in these Plans (viz. the formation of a sewer from Plumstead-station to the Parish Church, with proper drains into it), would remove the evils complained of, and recommending that the District Board be urged to commence this work as speedily as possible, and that a copy of the Report be forwarded to the War Office.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to the War Office.

Resolved—That a copy of the complaint from the War Office, and the reply of this Board thereto, be forwarded to the Board of Works for the Plumstead District.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th September, 1865, on a letter from Sir Charles Fox and Son, dated 16th instant, submitting, for approval, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 7th July last, (No. 15), working drawings of three Bridges, intended to be built to carry St. George's-row, St. George's-road, and Belgrave-road, Pimlico, over the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway, stating that the scantlings of the girders, as shown upon the drawings submitted, appeared to him, in several cases, to be insufficient, and recommending that the design be not approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the report be approved, and that the Railway Company be requested to submit modified designs for the proposed bridges, of increased strength.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 28th September, 1865, on a letter from Mr. Galbraith, dated 14th instant, submitting for approval, designs for bridges to carry the Kensington and Richmond Railway over certain roads, enumerated in the said letter, stating, that Mr. Galbraith hadsubmitted detail drawings of one of the bridges, which it was intended to erect over the Albion-road, Hammersmith, and that the same design was intended to apply to the whole of the Bridges to be built, allowing for the difference of spans and angles.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that the applicant be requested to submit plans of the ground, to a scale of not less than 5 ft. to a mile, shewing the position of the abutments in each case, with reference to the present width of the roadways and the frontages of adjacent houses; that the headways to, and the general design of, the bridges, and the methods proposed for deadening sound and rendering the bridges water-tight, be approved, subject to the introduction of an additional thickness of planking to be laid over and at right angles with that shown upon the drawing, upon the bottom flange of the transverse girders, a layer of asphalted felt being placed between the two thicknesses of planking, and on the further condition that the parapet be continued to the full height of 6½ ft. above the rail level, for a distance of 150 ft. at each end beyond the clear spans.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th September, 1865, recommending the execution of the following works under the Contract for General Works—

	ESTIMATE. £	s.	d.
Great Guildford-street Sewer, Borough—One new side entrance, for flushing purposes - - - - -	35	0	0
Repairs to Duffield Sluice House - - - -	50	0	0
Carried forward -	£85	0	0

	£	s	d.
Brought forward - -	85	0	0
Repairs to Ratcliff-cross Outlet - - - - - - -	75	0	0
Repairs to Gould's-hill Outlet of the Pennington-street Sewer	25	0	0
Repairs to the Wharf along side of the City Mill River, and adjoining the bridge of the Main Northern Outfall Sewer, at Abbey Mills . - - - - - - - - -	75	0	0
Re-construction of Cleveland-street Sewer, Fitzroy-square, for a further length of 400 feet - - - - - -	480	0	0
Total	£740	0	0

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the several works therein recommended be executed under the Contract for General Works, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

20. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring-gardens,
28th September, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Fowler, dated 10th July last, submitting for approval proposed works for the Metropolitan District Railway from the Temple to Blackfriars-bridge.

The Plan submitted deals more especially with the intended works in front of the City Gas Works, and involves the disposition, not only of the Railway Works, but consequently also of the Embankment Roadway, and the Low Level Sewer and Subway, as also the method in and extent to which, they will severally affect the City Gas Works.

Mr. Fowler, in the Plan submitted, places the Railway in front of, and adjacent to, the present river wall, in front of the City Gas Works, the Southern wall of the Railway forming a new quay-wall, and the surface over the railway being utilized as a Coal-wharf, for the convenience of the Gas Works. On the river-side of the Railway, Mr. Fowler places the Low Level Sewer, which is surrounded with concrete, and immediately over which a barge-bed is formed, on which the barges will rest, as the tide lowers. The space between the Embankment roadway and the Railway is intended to form a tidal dock, to which barges will enter from the river, through three openings, to be formed under the roadway.

The Low Level Sewer, as designed, appears to be placed in a very insecure position; and I would recommend that the Railway Company be required to adhere to the centre line of railway, as shown upon their Parliamentary Plan, and that the Low Level Sewer be built between it and the existing river wall. To effect this, the Sewer must be passed under the Railway, at a point West of Whitefriars-dock, and the level of the rails should be raised about a foot, to admit of a clear height of 7 feet of sewer at this point, where a special method of construction will be necessary.

I also recommend that the two Eastern-most dock entrances under the roadway be shifted Westward, to the extent of from 80 to 100 feet, and that the three entrances have a headway of 8 feet only above Trinity high water mark, as provided by the Thames Embankment Act, and the levels of the roadway above be modified accordingly.

I would further recommend that Contract Drawings be proceeded with, for the remaining portion of the Thames Embankment, from the Temple to Blackfriars-bridge, making the roadway in front of the Gas Works 70 feet wide, as provided in the Thames Embankment Act, but putting in foundations up to the level of the present foreshore, to admit of a widening of the roadway to 100 feet, should this, at any future time, be found desirable. I would suggest that the question be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Saunders—That the Report be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report.

21. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring-gardens, S.W.
28th September, 1865.

Thames Embankment, North.—Southern Outfall Works, Crossness.—Accidents.

I regret to report that early on Tuesday Morning last, an engine-driver, whilst walking on the staging over the Westminster dam, missed his footing, fell to the bottom, and, after lingering a few hours, died from the effects of the injuries he received.

I have further to report that, on Wednesday morning, a man employed at the Southern Outfall Works was engaged, with others, on the portable crane, in moving some heavy articles, and whilst in the act of shifting a turn-table, the counter weight swerved and canted the crane over, crushing the poor man beneath its weight. He was at once removed to the Hospital, and it is stated that no bones are broken, and hopes are entertained of his ultimate recovery.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

22. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th September 1856, submitting a tracing, showing the proposed diversion of the passenger traffic of the Westminster temporary Steam-boat Pier, for the purpose of the works of the Thames Embankment, North, (Contract No. 1), at that point, and recommending that, as part of the parapet of Westminster-bridge would have to be removed to carry that diversion into effect, an application be made to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., for his assent thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the report be approved, and that the application be made accordingly.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board a licence, in duplicate, sanctioning the erection by the Imperial Gas Light and Coke Company, of a retort house over a portion of the Western Extension Sewer, at Sands'-end, Fulham, prepared in accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 13).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said licence and duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Conveyance, dated 29th June, 1865, by the Devisees-in-trust under the Will of the late Rev. John Roby, to the Board, of three undivided 11th parts, or shares, of a messuage, wharf, and hereditaments, in Cannon-row, Parliament-street, Westminster; also a Memorial of the said Conveyance, for registration.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Conveyance and Memorial; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Bill in Chancery, filed by Mr. Daniel Lambert, against Mr. Henry Benthall, the Board and others, praying, amongst other things, that the Board might be restrained from paying the sum of £4,444, or other the purchase-money for the premises, Nos. 13 and 14, Chatham-place, agreed to be sold to the Board for the purposes of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, to any person except the Accountant-General of the Court of Chancery, to the credit of the cause.

Resolved—That the said Bill be referred to the Streets Committee.

26. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 29th September, 1865, stating the result of the enquiries with respect to the Sureties proposed by Mr. Dethick, for the due execution of the

works for re-constructing, &c., the Earl, Battle-bridge, and Duffield Main Sewers.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the said Sureties be approved.

27. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary to draw cheques for £105, in discharge of the claim of the Dean and Chapter of Ely, for alleged damage to Nos. 19 and 20, Vine-street, Saffron-hill, by the construction of the Middle Level Sewer, and for £10 10s. to be paid to Messrs. Smith and Williams, the Surveyors to the Dean and Chapter, as agreed by the Board on the 22nd instant, (No. 32.)

Resolved—That cheques be now drawn for the said amounts; and cheques were drawn on the Main Drainage Account, accordingly.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board, a letter from Mr. Dethick, the Contractor, authorizing him to offer the sum of £20, in settlement of the claim of Mr. J. C. Walton, for compensation in respect of alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, in the execution of Sewerage works.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do offer Mr. Walton the sum of £20, in settlement of his claim.

29. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the claim of Mr. William Bradley, for compensation for alleged injury to his property, Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22, Grosvenor-park, North, Newington, that the matter had been settled by Mr. Webster, the Contractor.

30. Read a Report by the Solicitor, dated 29th September, stating the result of the enquiries as to the Sureties proposed by Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, for the carrying out of their further Contract for the Printing of the Board, to October, 1866.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

31. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
29th September, 1865.

SLUICE HOUSE.

A Summons for 18s 4d., part of the sum of £1 10s. 10d., has been served, to be attended on 11th October. It appears that the Rate is made prospectively for four months, and the Board would be liable to a proper proportion. The saving would be so small as to make an appeal probably unwise. I suggest that I attend the summons, and consent to pay such sum as may seem reasonably apportionable in respect of the time for which the rate should be made, as no doubt the Collector will, under the Order of the Petty Sessions, concur in a just arrangement.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the course suggested by the Solicitor be adopted.

32. The Solicitor reported that no steps had yet been taken with reference to Saville House, upon which the District Surveyor thought it well, at present, to proceed.

33. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
29th September, 1865.

METROPOLITAN BUILDING ACT, 1844, SEC. 54.

ON THE LETTER OF MR. H. WADDINGTON, DATED 9TH SEPTEMBER, 1865.

REPORT.

I present a letter from Mr. Waddington.

It is a reply to one addressed by Order of the Board, in August last, to the Home Department, relative to the enforcement of the provisions of the Building Act, prohibiting the continuance of

Dangerous Businesses in certain situations, near to Buildings, and Roads, or other ground.

The Board may possibly think it desirable that a further Circular should be issued by the Board to notify the views of the Home Office, and I submit draft of a letter, which, perhaps, the Board may think it well to direct the Clerk to address to each District Board and Vestry in the Metropolis.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the draft letter be approved, and that the Clerk do address a copy of the same to each of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hill and Paraire, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the "Hereford Arms" tavern, Gloucester-road, Brompton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that so much of the fore-courts in front of the premises be given up, as will increase the width of the footway to 10 feet; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Miles, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses at the corner of Lark-row, Bishop's-road, Cambridge-heath, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed flank frontage, towards Lark-row, be kept in a line with that of the existing houses in the row; that the frontage next Bishop's-road, be kept to a line drawn from the nearest corner of the building belonging to the Guardians of the Poor, to the nearest corner of the shop flanking to Lark-row, and that the ground outside of the last named line be added to the public way; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. W. Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 32, Hereford-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the proposed shop be kept in a line with that at No. 30, and that the ground outside the building be added to the public way; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles H. Wootten, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses in Upper Farm-lane, Walham-green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. L. Roumieu, on behalf of Messrs. Crosse and Blackwell, for the consent of the Board to the construction of an iron foot-bridge across Sutton-place, Soho, for the purpose of connecting two warehouses on opposite sides of the street.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the Lattice Enclosure on the Northern side of the bridge, be 18 inches higher than is proposed by the applicant, and that the structure be put together and fixed, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. J. Parnell, for the approval by the Board of the materials of closets at the Whitehall Club, Parliament-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Chambers, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, for Messrs. J. Bardle and Co., at their Iron Foundry in Lancaster-road, Notting-hill.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Pearson, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an open shed at the rear of his house, in High-street, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the position of the proposed shed do not interfere with any established line of frontage in the vicinity.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. Smee, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a shed at the Crown Brewery, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the application be granted.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Piper and Wheeler, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, in George-yard, Upper Thames-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. J. Salmon, for the approval by the Board of the materials, and construction of a shed, at his premises in Drummond-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the application be granted, on condition that the external supports of the shed be constructed of iron, and be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the roof be covered with incombustible materials.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Dixey, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a stable in his garden, in Willow-walk, Lewisham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Newman and Hewitt, on behalf of Messrs. Harrison, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises, in Great May's-buildings, St. Martin's-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Dangerfield, on behalf of the Blakeley Ordnance Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four roads, at East Greenwich, in connection with the Company's works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Isaac Perren, for the approval by the Board of the position of a dwelling-house and offices, in Hither Green-lane, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed buildings be kept at a distance of 20 feet from the centre of the road; that there be no fence or other enclosure in front thereof, and that the ground be added to the public way.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Driver and Company, on behalf of Mrs. Ram, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road on her Estate, at Bow.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the application be granted.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. H. and F. Chester, on behalf of the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, for the re-numbering of the houses in Walworth-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Venthem, for the approval by the Board of the name "Sampson-street," for a new street leading from Grafton-road, Haverstock-hill, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on 16th December, 1864, (No. 57).

Resolved—That the application be granted.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th September, 1865, on the application of the Rev. W. W. Malet, for the incorporation of Little Woodstock-street with Westmoreland-street, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. J. Hickman, that the line of thoroughfare between Clarendon-road, North, and Codrington-villas, Notting-hill, might be called "Blenheim-crescent," the subsidiary names abolished, and the whole of the houses re-numbered.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the re-numbering of the houses in Little Carter-lane and London House-yard, City.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Dunkerley, for the re-numbering of the houses in Paulton's-square, Chelsea.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Roycroft, for the approval by the Board of the name "Castle-street" for a new street, leading out of High-street, Camberwell.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted, and that the applicant be requested to submit some other name not now in use in the Metropolis, in place of that proposed.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mrs. Leon, requesting to know by what name eight houses, formerly included in Lancaster-terrace, Paddington, but in a line with Brook-street, were in future to be known.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Rees, for the re-naming, &c., of various streets in the Parish of St. Pancras, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Sir Edward Belcher, requesting that the Resolution of the Board, of the 24th June, 1864, (No. 5), ordering the re-numbering of the houses, Nos. 15A and 22A, Connaught-square, might be suspended.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Green, on behalf of the Vestry of Kensington, for the re-numbering of the houses on the Northern side of the Fulham-road.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Turner, Surveyor of the District of East Islington, for the appointment by the Board of a Special Fee, for supervising the removal of a chimney-breast from the party wall between the houses, Nos. 224 and 226, Holloway-road.

Resolved—That the District Surveyor be authorized to demand and receive the sum of 10s., in respect of the service referred to.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, certifying that the improvement in Gun-alley, Bermondsey, towards which the Board, on the 3rd June, 1864 (No. 12), agreed to contribute the sum of £74 13s. 4d., was now completed, with the exception of the foot-paving, and that the Vestry was entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved—That a Cheque be drawn for the sum of £74 13s. 4d., and be paid to the Vestry of Bermondsey.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, certifying that the improvement in Great Maze-pond, Bermondsey, towards which the Board, on the 3rd June, 1864 (No. 12), agreed to contribute half the cost, was completed, and that the Vestry was therefore entitled to receive the sum of £141 10s., being half the amount actually expended.

Resolved—That a Cheque be drawn for £141 10s., and be paid to the Vestry of Bermondsey.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th September, 1865, certifying that the improvement in the Upper Richmond-road, Putney, towards the cost of which the Board, on the 5th June, 1863, (No. 11), agreed to contribute the sum of £33 6s. 8d., was now completed, and that the Wandsworth District Board of Works was therefore entitled to receive the amount.

Resolved—That a Cheque be drawn for £33 6s. 8d., and be paid to the Wandsworth District Board of Works.

65. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Shepherd, dated 23rd September, 1865, with a further Tender for the Sewage on the South side of the Thames.

Resolved—That the said Tender be not opened.

Adjourned until Friday, the 6th day of October next, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 35.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **6th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
George Hudson, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 29th September last, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meeting.

2. Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor presented a Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that they had negociated with the Fishmongers' Company, for the setting back of the premises at the South East corner of Lombard-street, whereby that thoroughfare and Gracechurch-street would be widened, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Memorial; that the cost would be £8,000, and expressing their hope that the Board would be disposed, in consideration of the vast importance of the proposed improvement to the community at large, to subscribe a considerable proportion of the expense.

The Memorial having been read,

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Architect do report thereon to that Committee.

3. Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, presented a Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that they had negociated and arranged for the frontage line of the premises, Nos. 11 and 12, Old Broad-street, City, to be set back, and ground to be laid into the street, according to the Plan accompanying the Memorial, for the sum of £450, independent of the professional expenses in connection therewith, and expressing their hope that this Board would grant such sum of money in aid of the cost of the improvement, as to them might seem meet.

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

4. Read a Letter, as follows—

Kensington Vestry. Vestry Hall.
Clerk's Department. October 5th, 1865.

Dear Sir,

I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 9th August last ($\frac{1834}{P.43}$), in reference to a Memorial presented by this Vestry, praying the Metropolitan Board of Works to adopt measures for the widening of High-street, Kensington; and I am instructed to convey the thanks of the Vestry of Kensington to your Board, for their acceding to the prayer of the said Memorial.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) R. GREEN,
Vestry Clerk.

J. Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk,
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring-gardens.

5. The Chairman informed the Board that, in accordance with their Resolution of Friday last, (No. 5), he had sold and transferred the sum of £18,198 11s., New 3 per Cent. Annuities, standing in the name of the Board, in the Books of the Governor and Company of the Bank of England; and had also paid the second instalment, amounting to £50,000, due on the 1st instant, of the Loan of £400,000 from the Bank of England, for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication; and he laid before the Board the Bond for the re-payment of the instalment in question, with an acknowledgment of the receipt of the amount indorsed thereon.

6. The Board resumed the consideration of the Report of the Main Drainage Committee, submitting for approval the Drawings and Specification of the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, and recommending the Board to approve of the same, and that Advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for the works, such Tenders to be opened on the 10th November next; adjourned on Friday last, (No. 8).

The Chairman informed the Board, he understood from the Engineer, that great difficulty had been experienced in dealing with the water met with, in sinking the foundations for the Pumping Station, and he suggested that it might be advisable to postpone the issuing of Advertisements for Tenders for the works, for the present; and it was

Resolved—That the further consideration of the subject be adjourned.

7. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
2nd October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 30th September, 1865.			Government Securities.	CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 30th September, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	New 3 per Cent. Annuities.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
BANK OF LONDON.							
General Account	*50,397 14 8	95,000 0 0	145,397 14 8	.....	51,869 0 7	452 11 10	52,321 12 5
Covent Garden Approach	615 15 9	.....	615 15 9	.....	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	2,991 15 0	.....	2,991 15 0	.....	2 12 6	.....	2 12 6
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	128 13 11	.....	128 13 11	.....	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	4,388 16 5	.....	4,388 16 5	.....	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	58,605 0 3	95,000 0 0	153,605 0 3	.....	51,876 13 1	457 11 10	52,334 4 11
BANK OF ENGLAND.							
Metropolis Main Drainage	50,600 18 8	.....	50,600 18 8	.....	5,470 1 6	8,133 10 0	13,603 11 6
Thames Embankment (North)	263,841 6 5	.....	263,841 6 5	.....	12,287 7 1	9,137 1 3	21,424 8 4
Mortgage Debt Sinking Fund	.....	.....	.....	*18,198 11 0	.....	.....	.....
£	373,047 5 4	95,000 0 0	468,047 5 4	18,198 11 0	69,634 1 8	17,728 3 1	87,362 4 9

*Since the Bank Books were made up, a sum of £15,855 (being the proceeds of sale of £18,198 11s. Stock) was paid to the credit of the General Account.

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they now submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

SUMS RECEIVED between 25th and 30th September, 1865—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.			
Precepts—			
Chelsea	£2,474 3 9		
Greenwich District	3,680 5 9		
		6,154 9 6	
Rates—			
St. Marylebone	£53 0 0		
St. George, Hanover Square	138 0 0		
		191 0 0	
			6,345 9 6
Covent Garden Approach.			
Rents—per J. Gotto			19 7 0
	Carried forward		£6,364 16 6

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward - -	6,364	16	6
Southwark and Westminster Communication.			
Rents—per J. Gotto - - - - - - -	71	5	0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.			
Rates—St. George, Hanover Square - - - - -	151	0	0
Thames Embankment (North).			
Rents—per J. Gotto - - - - - - -	181	8	4
	£6,768	9	10

Your Committee have examined the Certificates for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums specified, amouuting to £2,529 1s. 6d., be paid.

Your Committee have turned their attention to the amounts standing to the credit of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £4,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

That the sum of £2,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Southwark and Westminster Communication.

Your Committee have further to report, that their attention has been directed to the scale on which the Establishment Charges of the Board are apportioned to the several Accounts, and to the advisability of re-adjusting the same, in accordance with the present state of the several works in progress, and the proportionate amount of labour bestowed upon each. The present apportionment was fixed by your Honorable Board on the 29th January, 1864, and since that time there has been a considerable variation in the proportion which the several works bear to each other, such as seems to require a re-adjustment of the apportionment. For instance, with regard to the Main Drainage works, which are now nearer completion, and require a less expenditure of time and labour, it is proposed to reduce the proportion of the expenses of the Engineer's Department charged to that account, from 33 to 20 per cent., while it is proposed to increase that charged to the Thames Embankment (South) from 15 to 20 per cent., and that charged to the General Account from 10 to 25 per cent., on account of the large works of covering-over the main sewers, &c., now about to be undertaken by the Board. Your Committee have given careful consideration to the subject, and have endeavoured to apportion the Charges to the several Accounts, with a due regard to the amount of work in connection with each of them at the present time, and they beg to submit the following table of alterations, and recommend—

That, from 30th June last, and until further order, the Establishment Charges be apportioned to the several Accounts, according to the revised scale.

PROPOSED NEW APPORTIONMENT OF ESTABLISHMENT CHARGES.

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	General Staff and Office Expenses.		Engineer's Department.		Superintending Architect's Department.		Solicitor's Department.		Accountant's Department.		Rates Department.	
	Per Centage.		Per Centage.		Per Centage.		Per Centage.		Per Centage.		Per Centage.	
	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.	Old.	New.
General Account, including minor Improvements, Main Sewers, Building Act and Local Management	50	50	10	25	50	50	30	30	50	45	80	80
Main Drainage ...	10	10	33	20	...	...	10	10	20	20	20	20
Thames Embankment (North) ...	10	10	30	30	10	8	13	10	7	10	...	...
Thames Embankment (South) ...	5	10	15	20	5	10	9	10	5	10	...	...
Blackfriars to Mansion House (New Street)	15	15	5	5	20	20	20	20	10	10	...	...
Southwark Street	6	3	3	...	5	5	10	10	6	3	...	...
Victoria Park Approach	2	1	2	...	2	2	5	2	1	1	...	...
Finsbury Park ...	2	1	2	...	8	5	3	3	1	1	...	...
	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 130), they have considered the application of the Plumstead District Board of Works for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £5,000, towards the cost of the Sewer about to be constructed along the High-road from Lee to Eltham, the said sum to be raised upon the security of the Sewer Rates in the Parish of Eltham, and to be repaid by equal annual instalments, in a period of 30 years. The Plans for the work in question were duly approved by your Honorable Board on 25th November last, (No. 12). Your Committee have received a Report from the Engineer, stating that the works consist of 3,984 feet of 3′ 0″ × 2′ 6″, 1 brick, and 788 feet of 2′ 6″ × 1′ 8″, ½ brick sewers, and that the sum of £5,000 is fair and reasonable. Your Committee have enquired into the financial condition of the Parish of Eltham, and find it such as to justify a Loan of the sum required; and they recommend—

That the Loan be sanctioned, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments, within a period of 30 years, and the rate of Interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 130), they have considered the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £28,000, for the purpose of constructing new Sewers in the Parish of Clapham. The works in question were approved by your Honorable Board on 28th July last, (No. 19).

The sewers proposed to be made, embrace a total length of about 5 1-5th miles, and vary in size from a 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ 1 brick sewer to a 9 inch pipe, and that the sum proposed to be borrowed is a little above the amount of the lowest Tender received by the District Board for the execution of the works. Your Committee have had before them a Statement, shewing the financial condition of the Parish, which is satisfactory, and they recommend—

That the Loan be sanctioned, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments, within a period of 30 years, and the rate of Interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the fact that an amount of £13 17s. 10d., which should have been paid to one of the Collectors of Rates on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, has been paid in error to the General Account of the Board at the Bank of London. In order to rectify this mistake, your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque for the amount be drawn on the General Account, and paid to the Collector authorized to receive the same.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
G. B. RICHARDSON.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.—

General Account.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
BRICKHILL AND BATEMAN, Contractors—							
(1-6501)	Bill for Printing Business Papers, &c., Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - £52 8 6						
	Bill for General Printing, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - 452 7 7						
					504	16	1
SIMMONDS, S.—							
(1-6502)	Bill for Newspapers, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865				3	2	7
REILLY, F. S.—							
(1-6503)	Counsels' Fees, *re* Metropolis Sewage Bill - -				5	5	0
WILKINSON, J.—							
(1-6504)	Counsel's Fees—						
	Re London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Bill - - - £67 4 9						
	,, Tottenham and Hampstead ,, 77 14 0						
	,, Hornsey and Kingsland Junction ,, 33 12 0						
	,, Edgware, Highgate, and London ,, 166 19 0						
	,, Piccadilly and Park Lane Improvement Bill - - - 190 11 6						
					536	0	6
PHINN, T.—							
(1-6505)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Piccadilly and Park Lane Improvement				256	14	6
	Carried forward - - -				£1,305	18	8

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -	1,305 18 8	- -
METCALFE, W. J.—			
(1-6506)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Chiswick Rates - -	2 4 6	
COX, E.—			
(1-6507)	Bill for Printing, &c., *re* Pneumatic Despatch Company, August, 1865 - - - -	6 15 0	
BAXTER, ROSE, NORTON AND CO.—			
(1-6508)	Bill for Copying, *re* Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation - - - -	36 16 3	
MCDOUGALL, J., Surveyor—			
(1-6509)	Bills for Travelling and other Expenses, for self and chainman, in taking levels and setting out work, on Northern Low Level Sewer and Abbey Mills Pumping Station, Thames Embankment, &c., July, 1865 - £5 0 10		
	August, ,, - 4 19 0		
		9 19 10	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(1-6510)	Week ending 27th September, 1865 - -	124 12 8	
COHEN, J., (Executors of)—			
(1-6511)	Half-Year's Annuity (less tax), on life of Mrs. L. Turner, due 15th October, 1865 - -	49 3 4	
SWABEY, REV. S., (Executors of)—			
(1-6512)	Half-Year's Annuity (less tax), on life of Mrs. C. Swabey, due 19th October, 1865 - -	24 11 8	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—			
(1-6513)	To 30th September, 1865 - - -	119 10 2	
WATERLOW AND SONS—			
(1-6514)	Bill for Lithography, &c., April, 1864, to June, 1865 -	118 16 5	
GRATUITIES FOR SERVICES RENDERED in Rescuing Flushing Men in Blackman-street—			
(1-6515)	Rutter, W. - - - - £5 5 0		
(1-6516)	Evans, T. - - - - 5 5 0		
		10 10 0	
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—			
(1-6517)	September, 1865 - - - -	165 1 3	
			1,973 19 9
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
POWNALL, SON, CROSS, AND KNOTT—			
(3-315)	Taxed Costs, *re* Phillips's Charity - - -	- -	89 1 1
	Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—			
(6-139)	September, 1865 - - - -	- -	160 1 3
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
GLYNES, EDELL AND GLYNES—			
(8-1898)	Taxed Costs *re* Murray's Estate - - -	16 13 9	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1899)	Week ending 27th September, 1865 - -	88 6 0	
			104 19 9
	Carried forward - - - -		£2,328 1 10

	£. s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward -	- -	2,328 1 10
Thames Embankment (North).		
RAYMOND, J.—		
(9-675) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	33 10 6	
HAWKINS, H., Q.C.—		
(9-676) Counsel's Fees, *re* Luer - - - -	64 8 6	
METCALFE, W. J.—		
(9-677) Counsel's Fees, as per Account - - -	3 10 6	
HODGES AND SON—		
(9-678) Short-hand Notes, as per Account - - -	15 8 8	
BURCHELL AND HALL—		
(9-679) Sheriff's Charges—		
Re Luer - - - £17 13 0		
,, Henderson - - - 18 3 0		
	35 16 0	
HEMP, W.—		
(9-680) Summoning Officer's Charges—		
Re Luer and Henderson - - -	13 13 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(9-681) Week ending 27th September, 1865 - -	34 12 6	
		200 19 8
TOTAL - -		£ 2,529 1 6

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
EDW. SHEPHERD.
CYRUS LEGG.
ROBERT TAYLOR.
EDWD. R. COOK.
F. HEALEY.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £2,529 1s. 6d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sum of £4,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Resolved—That the sum of £2,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Southwark and Westminster Communication.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Apportionment of the Establishment Charges of the Board, be approved, and that, until further Order, the said Charges be apportioned, from 30th June last, to the several Accounts, as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	General Staff and Office Expenses.	Engineer's Department.	Superintending Architect's Department.	Solicitor's Department.	Accountant's Department.	Rates Department.
	Per Centage.	Per Centage.	Per Centage.	Per Centage.	Per Centage.	Per Centage.
General Account, including minor Improvements, Main Sewers, Building Act and Local Management	50	25	50	30	45	80
Main Drainage	10	20	...	10	20	20
Thames Embankment, (North)	10	30	8	15	10	...
Thames Embankment, (South)	10	20	10	10	10	...
Blackfriars to Mansion House (New Street) ...	15	5	20	20	10	...
Southwark-street ...	3	...	5	10	3	...
Victoria Park Approach	1	...	2	2	1	...
Finsbury Park	1	...	5	3	1	...
	100	100	100	100	100	100

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application of the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, for permission to borrow the sum of £5,000, towards the cost of the Sewer to be constructed along the high road from Lee to Eltham, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of 30 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the application of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, for permission to borrow the sum of £28,000, for the purpose of executing Sewerage works in the Parish of Clapham, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of 30 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That a cheque for £13 17s. 10d., paid in error to the General Account of the Board at the Bank of London, be drawn, and be paid to the Collector authorized to receive the same; and a cheque was drawn on the General Current Account accordingly.

8. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
4th October, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in exercise of the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the under-

mentioned Cheques for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

	£	s.	d.
Re Ware (No. 5, Bread-street-hill)—			
Purchase-money (Mr. C. N. Ware) - - - - -	3,430	0	0
Surveyor's fees (Mr. Fred. Marrable) - - - -	30	0	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Bailey, Shaw, Smith, and Bailey) -	26	14	7
Re George Smith (Devisees)—			
Solicitor's costs of Investment (Mr. Charles Morgan) - -	26	1	0
Re Fort (No. 31, Bucklersbury)—			
Proportion of rent, less tax (Mr. Richard Fort) - - -	22	10	0
Re Christ Church—			
Steward's fees (Mr. Meymott) - - - - -	9	19	4

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read,
Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

9. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
4th October, 1865.

In pursuance of the order of your Honourable Board of the 14th November, 1862, (No. 4), your Committee have to report that they are proceeding with the acquisition of the several properties required for the Thames Embankment (North), and that they have drawn the following Cheque for a payment in connection with the under-mentioned claim, viz.—

	£	s.	d.
Re Roby Burgin (Bent's Wharf)—			
Surveyors' fees and costs of negotiations (Messrs. Parker and Co.)	58	0	2

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The Report having been read,
Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th October, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board, viz.—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
KENSINGTON.				
Edenham-street, South of Kensal-road, Portobello Estate	400 180	3′9″×2′6″ 3′0″×2′0″	1 brick ½ „	The same as applied for.
ST. GILES.				
Lascelles-place, Broad Street, St. Giles's	280	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	Inclination 1 in 25.50.
ST. PANCRAS.				
Damerel-street and Queen's-road, Kentish Town . .	610	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th October, 1865, on applications from the following Vestries and District Board, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic can be diverted.
ST. MARYLEBONE.					
1865. Sept. 29.	Oxford-street, between Tottenham Court-road and Rathbone-place .	Repaving	4 weeks.	4 weeks.	Crown-street, Soho-square, &c. on the South, and Stephen, Gresse, &c. streets on the North.
„	Devonshire-mews .	Repaving	2 weeks.	2 weeks.	The Vestry state these are not places of thoroughfare.
	Castle-court . .		1 week.	1 week.	
	William's-mews .		2 weeks.	2 weeks.	
	Bentinck-mews .		2 weeks.	2 weeks.	
HAMPSTEAD.					
Oct. 2.	Platt's-lane, between Finchley-road and Child's Hill-lane .	Sewerage works.	6 weeks.	6 weeeks.	Child's-hill and Child's-hill-lane.
HOLBORN.					
Oct. 3.	Leather-lane.	Repaving.	...	4 weeks.	Hatton-garden.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said Vestries and District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of such works, respectively.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S. W.,
5th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 4th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	1,730	2,744
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	1,730	2,744

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 4th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	89,197	158,389
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	96,061	168,565

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 264,626 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

The Engineer stated that, in consequence of some observations made at the Meeting of the Board on Friday last, relative to the correctness of the Returns of the quantity of filling-in material supplied from the land, he had obtained the following documents, which he submitted for the information of the Board—

October 4th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT WORKS—CONTRACT No. 2.

I, Isaac Douglas, have been a Clerk of Works under the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, and under the Metropolitan Board of Works since its formation, and having been instructed by Mr. Cooper, about the middle of July last, to see that no more rubbish of any sort be allowed to be deposited on the line of the Embankment Works between Waterloo-bridge, and the East end of Temple-gardens, for filling-in purposes, do hereby certify, that I have been constantly on the works during the working hours, and that no such material has since that date been deposited along the line of these works.

The only material brought by carts and shot on the line of Works has been clay, for the purpose of making puddle for coffer-dams, and for this purpose alone has the clay been used.

(Signed) I. DOUGLAS,
Clerk of Works,

Engineer's Department,
October 4th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT—CONTRACT No. 2.

I hereby certify, that no material for filling-in purposes has been deposited along the line of these Works, since the middle of July last.

The only material brought by carts on to the line of these Works has been clay for coffer-dams, and for this purpose only has it been used.

(Signed) ALEX. BOAG,
Clerk of Works

Engineer's Department,
October 4th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, CONTRACT No. 2.

Having been instructed by Mr. Cooper to see that no more rubbish for filling-in be received on these Works, about the middle of July last, I hereby certify, that no such material has been received up to this date.

The carts have only brought clay for the purpose of puddling the dams, and for backing up outside of piles in the River.

(Signed) J. H. FORTESCUE,
Assistant to Clerk of Works.

October 5th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, CONTRACT No. 2.—A. W. RITSON, CONTRACTOR.

I hereby certify, that no filling-in material has been received on these Works since the middle of July last.

The material brought by carts on to these Works has been clay, for purposes connected with the coffer-dams, and has been used for no other purpose.

(Signed) THOS. D. RIDLEY,
Agent for A. W. Ritson.

October 5th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, CONTRACT No. 2.—A. W. RITSON, CONTRACTOR.

I hereby certify, that no filling-in material has been received on these Works since the middle of July last.

The material brought on to these works by carts has been clay for puddle, and other purposes connected with the coffer-dams, and for no other purpose has it been used.

(Signed) B. COOKE,
General Manager of Works for Mr. Ritson.

October 5th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, CONTRACT No. 2.—A. W. RITSON, CONTRACTOR.

I hereby certify, that no filling-in material has been received on these Works since the middle of July last.

The material brought by carts has been clay, for purposes connected with the coffer-dams, and for this purpose has it only been used.

(Signed) WM. STEVENS,
Surveyor of Works for A. W. Ritson.

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
Dear Sir, 4th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH, CONTRACT No. 1.

Pursuant to your request I beg to say that, with respect to the filling on this Contract by carts from the land, the system pursued has been to place a trusty person at the point of entry who counts each cart, sees that the material is proper, and reports daily to the Clerk of Works in charge the number of carts sent in. The Clerk of Works is always himself on the ground, and personally supervises this matter.

This number is entered in a book kept for the filling-in account solely, from which weekly returns are made to me, and which form the basis of my weekly reports to yourself.

These documents shall be placed in your hands on Friday morning, or at any earlier period you may wish.

Yours truly,

J. W. Bazalgette, Esq. (Signed) THOS. LOVICK.

The documents referred to in Mr. Lovick's letter, were also laid before the Board.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, containing replies to the questions put to him by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, at the Meeting of the Board on the 29th September last, (No. 7).

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Carpmael, and

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
4th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

REPLIES to the Questions put to the Engineer by Mr. HENRY LOWMAN TAYLOR, at the Meeting of the Board on the 29th September, 1865.

Questions.	Answers, with respect to No. 1 Contract.	Answers, with respect to No. 2 Contract.	Observations.
What are the amounts of the Contracts, Nos. 1 and 2, for the Northern Thames Embankment?	£520,000.	£229,000.	
When did the Contractor commence, and by what time is he bound to complete his Contract?	The date of the Engineer's Order to commence the work is the 16th February, 1864. Bound to complete "within a period of 2 years and 6 months." (See Specification, Clause 83.)	The date of the Engineer's Order to commence the work is the 9th March, 1864. Bound to complete "within a period of two years." (See Specification, Clause 72.)	The Contractors did not, however, obtain possession of the wharves and ground necessary to enable them to place their plant and materials thereon, until some considerable time after the date of the Engineer's Order to commence the works; and there have been other causes of delay, for which the Contractors are not responsible.
If the Contractor fail to complete by the time specified, what are the penalties attached?	(See Clause 88.) The penalty is £1 per cent. on amount of Tender for each and every week which may elapse between the appointed and actual time of completion— £5,200 per week.	(See Clause 77.) £2,290 per week.	
What is the amount, in money value, of work done, including materials and plant on the ground, and how much does it give, per month, for progress in the past, and what is required in the future, per month, to complete the Contract in the time specified?	The value of work done, including plant and materials on the ground, is £215,905, which amount gives, per month, for progress in the past £11,363. The amount required in the future, per month, to complete the Contract in the time specified, supposing the extras, &c., provided are executed, is £27,645.	The value of work done, including plant and materials on the ground, is £144,871, which amount gives, per month, for progress in the past £8,048. The amount required in the future, per month, to complete the Contract in the time specified, supposing the extras, &c., provided are executed, is £14,021.	
Looking at the present state of the works, and the large sums already advanced, will there be sufficient security left, for power to enforce the penalties, if need be?	This question, in its present shape, I am unable to answer, as it involves a knowledge of the state of the works and advances, at some future period, in respect of which no probable estimate could, I think, be formed.		

Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be printed, in connection with the Engineer's Monthly Report, and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

14. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
4th October, 1865.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT WORKS, THE LOW LEVEL SEWER, NORTH, &c.

NORTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Thames Embankment, (*Contract No.* 1), *between Westminster and Waterloo-bridges.*—In connection with these works, about 1,415 feet in length of timber coffer-dam have either been completed, or are in course of construction; and about 1,756 feet in length of caisson-dams are sunk, or in process of sinking. Structural works of concreting, brickwork, granite, and other masonry, &c., are in various stages of progress, within a length of about 1,074 feet of dam, and preparations are being made for excavating within a further length of 470 feet of dam. As part of these works, 722 feet of the Low Level Sewer, 284 feet of the Flushing Sewer, and 1,600 feet of the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ brick Sewer, for intercepting small drains, &c., have been completed, and about 571 feet of the Subway have been completed, or are in a forward state. The works at the Westminster Steam-boat Pier have been, for the most part, brought up to the level of the Subway; and the river-wall and works adjoining are in a still more forward state. About 375,500 cubic yards of material have been filled in, behind the Embankment, either from the land, by means of carts, or dredged from the river and barged to the works. The approximate value of the whole of the foregoing, including the materials and plant upon the ground, is £215,905, of which the sum of £45,321 is for the progress made by Mr. Furness in the past two months. Of the total amount, the proportionate sum of £87,210 is for works, £36,327 for materials, and £92,368 for plant.

Thames Embankment, (*Contract No.* 2), *between Waterloo-bridge and Temple-gardens.*—The coffer-dam fronting Somerset House, and extending to the West-end of this Contract, near Waterloo-bridge, is completed and made water-tight. The dam at the Eastern-end is also fast approaching completion, and thus, by the completion of both dams, the entire line of works will shortly be enclosed from the effects of the tide. The construction of the Temple Steam-boat Pier is being rapidly pushed forward. Since my last report, 11,439 cube yards of excavation have been removed, and 5,340 yards of concrete filled in, 167 rods of brickwork constructed, for the Low Level Sewer and Subway, and 7,364 cube feet of granite bedded for the river-wall. The approximate value of the whole of the works completed, and of the material and plant upon the ground, is £144,871, or £18,145 for the progress made by Mr. Ritson in the past two months. Of the total amount, the sum of £85,054 is for works, £20,800 for materials, and £39,017 for plant.

Low Level Sewer.—The total length of the main line of sewer completed, is about 2 miles 1,985 feet; and of the Old Ford branch 3,211 feet; making in all a completed length of about 3 miles of sewer. The works under the River Lee, from their nature, necessarily progress but slowly; but at the same time, they are proceeding safely and satisfactorily. The total approximate value of the completed work is £144,119, of which the sum of £26,666 represents the work done by Mr. Webster, in the two past months.

Abbey Mills Pumping Station.—The sump, for the purpose of pumping out the water from the excavations, has been got down to the required depth and completed; 9,500 cube yards of earth have been excavated, and 8,360 cube feet of timber, in piling, strutts, walings, &c., have been driven and fixed. The cost of these works, including the pumping, is about £7,000, or £4,500 in excess of my last report.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

The Thames Embankment Works have commenced.

Greenwich and Deptford Sewers.—These works are now virtually completed. They comprise a total length of nearly 2 miles of brick sewer, varying in size from 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ to 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, and about 1 mile of pipe sewer and drain connections. The total approximate cost is £23,000, of which the sum of £1,810 represents the work executed by Mr. Dethick, in the past two months.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 4th October, 1865, submitting for the approval of the Board a proposed deviation in the route of a short length of the Wick-lane Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, stating that the object of the deviation was to avoid a sharp curve in the Old Ford-road, and thus straighten and improve the line of sewer at that point; that Mr. Webster and his Sureties would undertake to be responsible for any claims that might be made upon the Board by reason of the deviation, and to execute the works, as altered, without making any extra claim for the same, and recommending the Board to sanction the deviation.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the proposed deviation be sanctioned, subject to the conditions set forth in the Report, and that it be referred to the Solicitor, to prepare an Agreement to be entered into by Mr. Webster and his sureties, in accordance therewith.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th October, 1865, on the subject of lighting the Southern Outfall Works, at Crossness, recommending that the Board manufacture their own Gas, and that works for the purpose be erected, at an estimated cost of £1,650.

It was **moved** by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. F. W. Porter, on behalf of Messrs. Marzetti and Sons, requesting permission to divert a portion of the Main Irongate Sewer, in lieu of lowering its crown, as sanctioned by the Board on the 4th August last, (No. 39), for the purpose of erecting a warehouse on their land, at the corner of Vine-street and George-street, Crutched-friars, setting forth the facts of the case, and recommending that the application be granted, subject to the new sewer being constructed of a barrel-shape, 4 feet in diameter in the clear, in 9 inch brickwork all round; the work being done at the sole cost of Mr. Porter's clients, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and the rights of the Board in connection with the sewer being reserved.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that the proposed diversion be sanctioned, on condition that the new sewer be constructed of a barrel-shape, 4 feet in diameter in the clear, in 9-inch brickwork all round; that the work be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the applicants, and that the rights of the Board in connection with the sewer be reserved.

Resolved—That it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreement.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. James Carter, on behalf of the owners of certain property near the Great Western Railway-bridge, Kensal Green, requesting permission to cover over a portion of the open Counters Creek Sewer, in that locality; stating that the sewer in question was a source of annoyance to the residents, and recommending the Board to sanction the sewer being covered-over by a 4½-inch arch, at the expense of Mr. Carter's clients, provided that the arch be formed with brickwork in Portland cement, and with Portland cement concrete in the haunches, from one foot at least in width at the springing, to the crown of the sewer, and that the work be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the applicants be permitted to cover over the portion of the Counters Creek Sewer referred to, with a 4½-inch arch, on condition that the arch be formed with brickwork in Portland cement, and with Portland cement concrete in the haunches, from one foot at least in width at the springing to the crown of the sewer, and that the work be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the applicants.

19. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
5th October, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Macintyre, dated 15th ultimo, submitting for approval, a design for a Bridge to carry the Downs Park-road, Hackney, over the Great Eastern Railway, 27 and 28 Vict., cap. 313.

In order to carry this road over the Railway, it is intended to raise the present level of the roadway 5 feet, as the Company have powers under their Act to do, but the gradients proposed for the approaches, 1 in 30, are steep, and I would recommend that they be reduced to 1 in 40, as required under Clause 27 of the Act. Also, that the bridge be constructed so as not to lessen the present clear width of the road and footways, as provided by the same Clause; also, that the parapet be 6′ 6″ in height above the footpath, and be continued of the same height for a total distance of 130 feet on each side of the roadway; that it be formed with a plinth towards the road, and faced with bricks of good and uniform colour.

As the security of a public roadway is dependent upon the efficiency of this bridge, I recommend that in this, as in previous cases of this kind, the Company be required to submit, for the approval of this Board, details of the girders intended to carry the roadway.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that the Company be required to reduce the gradients of the proposed approaches to 1 in 40; to construct the bridge so as not to lessen the clear width of the road and footways; to build the parapet 6′ 6″ in height above the footpath, and to continue it of that height for a total distance of 130 feet on each side of the roadway; to form the parapet with a plinth towards the road, and to face it with bricks of good and uniform colour; and that the Company be further required to submit, for the approval of the Board, details of the girders intended to carry the road over the Railway.

20. Read a Report, as follows, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 29th ultimo, (No. 3)—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
5th October, 1865.

On letter from the Poplar District Board, with reference to flooding from the Great Barnfield Sewer, consequent upon the execution of the Millwall Docks Works.

The flooding in question has been caused by the pumping operations carried on by Messrs. Kelk and Aird, the Contractors for the construction of the Millwall Docks, in the Isle of Dogs. The water is pumped into an open ditch, having its outlet into this Board's Main Sewer, which being tide-locked at high water, the additional water thus pumped into it backs up and causes the flooding complained of.

I recommend that notice be served on the Dock Company, requiring them to desist from pumping the water into the open ditch, for a period of one hour before, and until one hour after, the time of high water, until their arrangements for pumping direct into the river are completed.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a proper notice be prepared and served on the Dock Company, requiring them to desist from pumping the water into the open ditch, for a period of one hour before, and until one hour after, the time of high water, until their arrangements for pumping direct into the river shall be completed.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th October, 1865, stating that the Board had undertaken, on 7th November, 1862, (No. 18), in connection with the works of the Northern Outfall Sewer and the new Stratford-road, to widen the St. Michael's-bridge over the Waterworks-river, upon the payment, by the Trustees of the Middlesex and Essex Turnpike Roads, of a contribution of £125 towards the cost thereof, which they had agreed to pay; that the work had been completed, and recommending that the Trustees be applied to for the amount.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that an application be made to the Trustees accordingly.

22. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
5th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, SOUTH.

The line of the Southern Embankment, as at present laid out, is limited by the line of deviation allowed in the Act, and any extension beyond that line is subject to the approval of the Thames Conservators and the Trustees of Saint Thomas's Hospital.

As the design might be improved in its frontage line, I ask the authority of this Board to put myself in communication with the Conservators and with the Architect of Saint Thomas's Hospital, with the view of making a slight modification therein, and which, though it would not prejudice the interests of either of those bodies, requires their consent thereto.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, that the Engineer be authorized to place himself in communication with the Thames Conservators and the Architect of St. Thomas's Hospital, as suggested, and that he do report to the Thames Embankment Committee thereon.

23. The Engineer laid before the Board a letter from Capt. Burstal, dated 8th September, 1865, forwarding an Account for material supplied for the Thames Embankment Works, and for Lighterage and Unloading, to 31st August last, shewing a balance due to the Thames Conservators of £4,349 13s. 11d. to that date, and a further letter, dated 3rd October, instant, requesting that a Cheque for the amount might be forwarded at an early date. The Engineer stated that the Account had been referred to the Accountant in his Department, who was verifying the amount, which, if found correct, would be paid in due course.

24. Cheques, as follow, were drawn on the General Account of the Board, for contributions towards the cost of the under-mentioned improvements, pursuant to the Orders of the Board of the 29th ulto., (Nos. 62, 63, and 64), viz.—

Gun-alley, Bermondsey	£74	13	4
Great Maze-pond, do.	141	10	0
Upper Richmond-road, Putney	33	6	8

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board Mr. W. Dethick's Contract for re-constructing, &c., the Earl, Duffield, and Battle-bridge Main Sewers, together with the Bond for the due execution of the same, duly executed by the Contractor and his Sureties.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

26. The Solicitor presented a Report as to the Sureties proposed by Messrs. Ford and Tilt, for the due fulfilment of their Contract to supply the Stationery required by the Board, up to October, 1866.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

27. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet received any further communication from the District Surveyor, with respect to Saville House, Leicester-square.

28. The Solicitor reported, with respect to the question of the costs of the Appeal by the Vestry of Camberwell against the Rates made by the Board, that Mr. Pew, the Representative of the Parish, wished the matter to stand over until he could attend.

Resolved—That the consideration of the matter be adjourned, until Mr. Pew shall be able to attend.

29. Read a Report by the Solicitor, on a decision of the House of Lords, as to the liability of certain property to rating.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be received, and that it be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
6th October, 1865.

I think it important to direct the attention of the Board to a very important decision, published since the Board separated in August last. I allude to the decision in the cases of Jones *v.* The Mersey Docks, and the Mersey Docks *v.* Cameron, by the House of Lords.

I have had occasion, for their guidance, to draw the attention of the Board to decisions upon the large principle of rating property to the Poor Rate, where the property has been in the hands of Trustees of Public Works, Trustees of Charities, and others who had no direct personal benefit. The law has been in a very uncertain state hitherto, but the decision by the House of Lords now seems to lay down a clear and distinct guide on the subject, and it is this—That there is nothing in the Act of Elizabeth, or in the reason of the thing, to warrant the conclusion arrived at by many earlier Judges, that if property be in the possession of Trustees, who are bound to apply the whole of the proceeds to public, but not Government, purposes, they are not liable to be rated.

I collect that the whole of the Law Lords, who gave their judgment, concurred in the opinion that the true principle in point of law is this—that the only ground for exemption from the Statute of Elizabeth, is that which is furnished by the rule that the Sovereign is not bound by that Statute, and that, consequently, when valuable property (that is, property capable of yielding a net rent, above what is required for its maintenance) is sought to be exempted, on the ground that it is occupied by bare Trustees for public purposes, the public purposes must be such as are required and created by the Government of the country, and are, therefore, to be deemed part of the use and service of the Crown; and this principle of exemption would, of course, embrace Royal Palaces, Offices of the Secretaries of State, and even Police and County Courts, which are considered to be occupied by the Crown, or its servants, in connection with the public Government of the country.

As this decision overturns many authorities, and as the principle involved in it should be known to the Board, and all connected with the levying rates, I would suggest that it would be useful that this Report should be entered at length on the Minutes of the Board.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

30. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department,
October 6th, 1865.

TENDERS.

It seems important, I think, for the Board to consider whether some extra precaution may not be advisable with reference to parties who are proposed as Sureties for Contractors for Works. At present, the Contractor gives the names of the Sureties he proposes, but unless there are registered obligations, it is scarcely possible to ascertain to what extent any Sureties may have already entered into security for Contractors. I have reason to believe that in some of the Departments of the Government, persons proposed as Sureties are required to declare whether they are already Sureties for any parties, and for what amount. This seems to me a necessary precaution to be taken by the Board; for otherwise, although we may ascertain that a party is reputed to be in good circumstances, he may have entered into such an amount of suretyship to other parties as to make an apparently wealthy person much otherwise. Probably the Board may wish future Tenders to be altered to meet this suggestion.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

31. Read a Report by the Solicitor, drawing attention to certain alterations recently made in the Standing Orders of Parliament.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Report be printed, and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

The Alterations recently made in the Standing Orders materially affect both the steps to be taken previously to the Introduction of Bills, and the proceedings of Parliament, with respect to Bills and to Oppositions.

The alterations which apply to the Plans, Sections, and Estimate, are in the inclosed Note; and the only observation on them is, that the Estimate of Expense is now deemed so essential, that the insufficiency of the estimate is, by the 96th Standing Order (Commons), made fatal to the Bill.

The printed Copy of the Bill must now be deposited in the House of Lords on the 17th, instead of on the 23rd December. Hitherto it has been found very difficult to prepare the Bills in a satisfactory manner for deposit even on the 23rd December. It will be difficult to prepare them for the 17th, unless the instructions are given a full week earlier than usual.

Petitions against Bills are now to be deposited, in the Commons, not later than Ten clear Days after the First Reading of the Bill; and a Petition against Bills originating in the Lords must be deposited on or before the Seventh Day after the Second Reading. The allegations against engineering details must be, in future, more precise in the Commons than they have hitherto been.

With respect to the Deposit of Money, important changes have been made—

1. Existing Companies paying dividends upon their ordinary capital are exempt from the necessity of depositing money;
2. The money in the case of new Companies must be deposited in the names of persons whose names appear in the Bill as subscribers to the undertaking;
3. The money deposited is a security for costs which may be awarded by the Committee.

The functions of the Referees have been enlarged—

1. By rendering their Report of the insufficiency of the Estimate, or the insufficiency of the engineering works, conclusive against a Bill;
2. By authorising the Referees, with the consent of Promoters and Opponents, to inquire into the whole of the Bill, which, if their report is favourable upon it, then passes as an unopposed Bill.

EXTRACTS FROM STANDING ORDERS AS ALTERED. (THE NOTES AS TO TIDAL WATERS, ETC., ARE OMITTED.)

96.

In case the Referees shall report, with reference to any Bill, that the Estimate deposited in respect thereof is insufficient, or that the engineering is inefficient for the proposed object, the Bill shall not be further proceeded with, unless the House shall otherwise order.

S.O. 96.—COMMONS. "Report of Referees."

193, sec. 2.

Solicitor.

A printed Copy of every Private Bill, except Estate Bills, Name Bills, Naturalization and Divorce Bills, proposed to be introduced into either House of Parliament, shall be deposited in the Office of the Clerk of the Parliaments on or before the *Seventeenth* day of December.

S.O. 193, sec. 2. —LORDS. "Deposit of Bill on 17th December."

184, sec 2.

That in the case of a Railway Bill authorizing the construction of Works by other than an existing Railway Company incorporated by Act of Parliament, and which has during the year last past paid Dividends on its ordinary Share Capital, a sum not less than Eight per Cent. on the Amount of the Estimate of Expense (or, in the case of substituted Works, of the Amount by which the Expense thereof will exceed the Expense of the Works to be abandoned), and in case of all Bills other than Railway Bills a sum not less than Four per Cent. on the amount of such Estimate, or of such Excess as aforesaid, shall, previously to the Fifteenth day of January, be deposited with the Court of Chancery in England, if the Work is intended to be done in England, or with the Court of Chancery in England, or the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, if such Work is intended to be done in Scotland, and with the Court of Chancery in Ireland, if such Work is intended to be done in Ireland; *and if the Bill is for the purpose of establishing a Company for carrying on any Work or Undertaking, the Persons in whose Names any such Deposit is made must be Subscribers to the Undertaking, and their Names must appear as such in the Bill.*

S.O. 184, sec. 2. —LORDS. Last 4 lines, "Deposit of Money." [See 28 Vict., cap. 27.]

94.

In case the Promoters and Opponents of any Bill shall agree that all the questions in issue between them upon such Bill shall be referred to the Referees, it shall be competent to the Referees to inquire into the whole subject-matter of the Bill, and to report their opinion thereon to the House; and, in case they shall report that such Bill ought to be proceeded with, the same shall, unless the House shall otherwise order, be referred to the Committee on Unopposed Bills, and shall be treated as an Unopposed Bill.

S.O. 94. COMMONS. "Referees may inquire into whole Bill."

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Book of Reference to the Plans, deposited last Session, in connection with the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Act.

33. Read a Report, as follows—

SEWAGE UTILIZATION ACT.

I have already drawn the attention of the Board to the Act passed last Session, and presented an Analysis of it.

The Board will probably excuse me for inviting their attention to the 10th Section, which enables a Sewer Authority, under certain circumstances, to take proceedings to prevent the Pollution of Streams, and to the 11th Section, which is as follows:—"Nothing contained in this Act, or in the Acts referred to therein, shall authorize any Sewer Authority to make a Sewer so as to drain direct into any stream or watercourse."

It appears to me that it might be important to refer the consideration of this Act to the Main Drainage Committee, for they may probably consider whether some of the provisions may not require some especial attention in connection with the River Thames, or other streams.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that the matter be accordingly referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration.

34. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Analysis of the Private Bill Costs Act, as follows—

PRIVATE BILL COSTS ACT.—ANALYSIS.

Section 1.—When the Committee on a Private Bill, shall decide that the Preamble is not proved, or insert in, or strike out, or alter any provision for the protection of any Petitioner against the Bill, and unanimously report that such Petitioner has been unreasonably, or vexatiously subjected to expense in defending his rights, such Petitioner shall be entitled to recover from the Promoters his costs in relation thereto, or such portion as the Committee may think fit.

Section 2.—Provides that when the Committee shall decide that the Preamble is proved and unanimously report that the Promoters have been vexatiously subjected to expense by the opposition of any Petitioner against the Bill, then the Promoters to be entitled to recover from the Petitioners such portion of their costs of the promotion of the Bill, as the Committee may think fit. Proviso that no landlord who *boná fide* opposes a Bill which proposes to take any portion of his property, shall be liable to any costs in respect of his opposition.

Section 5.—Authorizes the party entitled to such costs, to recover the same when taxed, "from any one or more of the persons liable to the payment thereof."

Section 8.—Renders the deposit of money, or stock, made with respect to the application for a Bill, a security for the payment by the Promoters of the costs so awarded, and that the lien thus created shall attach to the deposit at the time when the Bill is first referred to a Committee of either House of Parliament.

Section 9.—Is in the following terms :—"Definition of Promoters." "When a Bill is not promoted by a Company already formed, all persons whose names shall appear in such "Bill as promoting the same, and in the event of the Bill passing, the Company thereby incorporated, shall be deemed to be Promoters of such Bill for all purposes of this Act."

Section 10.—Applies the Act to all private Bills, excepting perhaps Estate Bills.

35. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of the Special Board appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **6th** day of **October,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq,
Major William Lyon.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
William Clark, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

29th September, 1865.

We, the undersigned Members of the Metropolitan Board of Works, being of opinion that the time has arrived for increasing the Salaries of the Chief and Assistant Engineers, request that you will convene a Special Meeting of the Board, on Friday, 6th October, at 1 o'clock, p.m., for the purpose of considering the propriety of increasing the Salaries of those Officers, and of varying the resolutions of the Board of the 14th January, 1856, (No. 4), 15th July, 1859, (No. 6), 19th July, 1861, (No. 2), and 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), fixing the salary and allowances of the Engineer; and those of the 22nd February, 1856, (No. 2), 22nd July, 1859, (No. 5), 5th August, 1859, (No. 10), and 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), fixing the Salaries and Allowances of the Assistant Engineers, so far as may be necessary to allow of such increase, and to pass such other Orders thereon, as may be required.

(Signed) GEO. PECKETT.
ED. COLLINSON.
P. H. LE BRETON.
THOMAS Q. FINNIS
T. J. MILLER.

2. It was moved by Mr. Peckett, and seconded by Mr. Newton—"That the Salary of the "Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £2,000 per annum, and that the resolution of the "Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), be, and it is hereby, varied, so far as may "be necessary to admit of such increase."

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Westerton—"That the whole question of the Salaries and Remuneration to the Engineer "and Assistant Engineers, be referred to a Committee of the whole Board, to enquire as "to their respective Salaries at their appointment, together with all additions made "thereto, and that the Committee be requested to report their recommendation thereon."

Read a letter from Mr. R. Paget, Vestry Clerk, Clerkenwell, dated 6th October, 1865, forwarding a resolution of the Vestry of that Parish, objecting to the proposed increase in the Salaries of the Chief and Assistant Engineers.

After discussion, Mr. Peckett stated that he was prepared to accept the Amendment, and requested permission to withdraw his motion, which course was objected to.

The amendment was then put to the vote, and declared by the Chairman to be carried.

It was then put as an original motion, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—25.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Carpmael, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor.

Against the Motion—3.

Shaw, A. N., Esq. Taylor, Silas, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Healey.

And it was declared by the Chairman to be carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Committee of the whole Board, to whom the subject shall be referred, be the Main Drainage Committee.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **6th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

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Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	William Clark, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq,	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.	Guilford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Major William Lyon.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.		John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.		James Brooker, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.		

1. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, on behalf of Mr. Charles King, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable in the garden of his house, No. 1, Park-terrace, Highbury, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

   Resolved—That the application be not granted.

2. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Davy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the front garden of his house, No. 64, Harrow-road, Paddington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

   Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the proposed shop be kept 15 feet back from the outer edge of the pavement curb; that the space thus gained be added to the public-way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

3. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Clarke and Mannooch, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico to the entrance in Weymouth-street, of the house, No. 22, Portland-place, St. Marylebone, and of stone balconies on the Western and Southern fronts, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the portico be, and remain, open at the sides and in front, and that the several erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

4. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Leggett, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bow-window to the ground story of Seymour House, Jubilee-place, Chelsea, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

5. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. H. Simpson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 2 to 7, Salisbury-place, Rhodeswell-road, Limehouse, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be not granted.

6. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 119, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed projection do not exceed that at No. 117; that the private entrance, next to No. 121, be kept back flush with the present wall of the house, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

7. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Lathbury, for the consent of the Board to the erection of six houses and shops on the Western side of Montpelier-street, Brompton, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the extreme limit of projection be kept to a line drawn from the North pilaster of the shop front of the "Crown and Sceptre" public house, to a point not exceeding 6 feet beyond the present frontage of the house at the South-east corner of Chapel-place; that the corner premises be carried up circular; that the existing railing and posts be removed, and the land enclosed thereby be given up for public use; that a footpath, 11 feet wide, be formed, paved, and curbed to the satisfaction of the Vestry of Kensington, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

8. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Capt. R. A. Oliver, R.N., for the consent of the Board to the erection of

a covered entrance to his house, No. 81, Grove-end-road, St. John's-wood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

9. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Porters and Markham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a public house in Spa-road, Bermondsey, at the corner of Rouel-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

10. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Rist and Brown, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to four houses in Sutherland-road, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed windows do not exceed the height of the ground story of the houses, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

11. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Nance, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses in Manchester-road, Cubitt Town, Poplar, up to the line of frontage of Manchester Cottage, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

12. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. B. Dyer, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight houses with bay-windows, in Park-road, Old Ford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed bay-windows do not exceed the height of the ground story of the houses, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

13. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Thomas, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a one story shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 8, Greenback-terrace, New Charlton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

14. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. B. Head, on behalf of Mr. Fletcher, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron covered-way from the garden-gate to the entrance door of the house, No. 10, Pembridge-place, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Hall, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

15. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Bennett, on behalf of Mr. Riley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of nine houses to be built on the North side of the Wandsworth-road, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

16. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Welton, on behalf of Mr. Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the "Mechanics' Arms," Minerva-place, Old Kent-road, as show upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the further consideration of the application be adjourned for a week.

17. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Chancy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bow-window to the ground story of the house No. 17, Clayton-road, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

18. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Bagridge, for the consent of the Board to the erection of porches and a chancel to a temporary iron church in Durham-road, Tollington-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed additions be constructed with angle-iron uprights, and be covered with corrugated iron, in the same manner as the original structure, and that the end which abuts against an existing house in Andover-road, be constructed with an independent iron enclosure, similar to the other inclosures, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

19. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James H. Bate, on behalf of Mr. Harwood, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 34, Hereford-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

20. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Fenner, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a pent-house in front of his shop, in Rye-lane, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the roof of the proposed projection be covered with zinc; that the underside of the rafters be plastered, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

21. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Batchelder, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an addition to the West front of the "Old Red Lion" public house, No. 44½, Farringdon-road, Clerkenwell, and to the line of frontage of a new building on the South-side, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. M'Donnell—That the application be not granted.

22. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Banks and Barry, for the approval by the Board of the erection of barge boards and dormer windows to a house in Dulwich-wood Park, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted.

23. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th September, 1865, on a letter from Mr. J. H. Smith, Clerk to the Committee of Works of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, relative to the enclosure of a verandah to a house, No. 17, Park-street, Grosvenor-square, contrary to the resolution of the Board of the 26th September, 1862, (No. 38).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Silas Taylor—That it be referred to the Solicitor, to advise as to the proceedings to be taken to enforce the Board's Order.

24. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Mason, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a small engine and furnace chimney-shaft, during the erection of buildings near the Worple Way, Wandsworth.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be removed on the completion of the works referred to.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Loft, on behalf of Messrs. Jones, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises in Arlington-street, New North-road, Islington.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Humphrys, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney shaft at Brindley House, New Cross, Deptford.

It was moved by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. A. Fisher, on behalf of Mr. Russell, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a cart lodge, at Manor farm, Plumstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker,—That the application be not granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Cock, on behalf of the Guardians of the Poor of St. James, Westminster, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an iron shed building, within the yard of the Workhouse, in Poland Street, Oxford Street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the upright iron supports be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor; that the whole structure be put together under his supervision, and that the building, if required by the Guardians to be inclosed, be done with corrugated iron.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Jackson and Shaw, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the raising of a furnace chimney shaft, at their premises in Earl-street, Westminster.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the substructure be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, vertical, sound, and sufficient to allow of the additional height being raised upon it.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert E. Hatch, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at the flour mill, South-end, Lewisham-road.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. Mitchell, on behalf of Mr. Carlo Gatti, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an ice-well at his premises in the Caledonian-road, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the underpinning of the proposed well be executed of a thickness of three bricks, with proper footings based upon concrete, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that all proper caution be used during the progress of the work.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Hudson, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the workhouse in Thomas-street, Mile End New Town.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Clark—That the application be granted, on condition that the base line of the proposed shaft, above the ground line, be made 9 feet square, and that the foundation be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Hollick, for the approval by the Board of a paved footway to sixteen workmens' Cottages, on his ground at East Greenwich, and of the position of a shed in an old road parallel to the proposed footway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed footway be flagged over its entire surface, and that the old road be widened to twenty feet in front of the new shed.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Glasspool, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of an approach to two cottages on land at the rear of Haward-street, Nine Elms.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that not more than two cottages be erected on the proposed site.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Hockley, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the erection of a house at Rushey-green, Lewisham.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Davies, on behalf of Mr. R. Shepherd, for the approval by the Board of the erection of houses in Upper Kennington-lane, Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Dyke, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews, in the Mall, Kensington.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Wimble and Taylor, on behalf of Mr. Synnett, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a footway to the backs of houses in course of erection near Falcon-lane, Battersea, and for consent to the projection of one house at the end of the Terrace in Grove-road, as show upon the Plan.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Silas Honeywill, for the approval by the Board of the position of four houses to be erected in Burntash-lane, Eltham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Curtis, for the approval by the Board of the erection of houses

at the corner of Victoria-grove and Moscow-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman.—That the application be not granted.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Brooks, for the approval by the Board of the names "Leven-road" and "Culloden-street," for two new streets on Mr. McIntosh's Estate, at Bromley, in lieu of Ellesmere-road and Clyde-street, which were objected to by the Board on the 12th May last, (No. 59).

Resolved—That the names "Leven-road," and "Culloden-street," be approved.

42. Read a communication from Mr. George Legg, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Belgrave and Pimlico, dated 23rd September, 1865, notifying that a building, at No. 15, Lower Belgrave-street, was about to be erected under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Savage, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. George Legg, Surveyor of the District of Belgrave and Pimlico, did, on the 3rd day of September, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a building at No. 15, Lower Belgrave-street, within the District aforesaid; and the said George Legg has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Sancton Wood, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Chelsea, be appointed by this Board, and the said Sancton Wood is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Joseph Gale, on behalf of Messrs. Braden and Company, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a "lookum," at their premises in Gun-alley, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the floor be efficiently supported by iron girders, and the walls by angle irons, and that the whole structure be securely held to the wall of the building, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 3rd October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Hudson, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at a sugar-house in King Edward-street, Mile End New Town.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

45. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Lahee, Vestry Clerk, Chelsea, dated 29th September, 1865, requesting to be informed what course the Board are about to adopt with respect to the operation of the Fire Brigade Act, particularly as affecting that Parish.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the same subject.

46. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. C. F. Browne, dated 30th September, 1865, stating that, having acted as Medical Officer to the London Fire Engine Establishment since the year 1835, he was desirous of continuing the performance of similar duties in connection with the Metropolitan Brigade about to be formed, and offering to supply any information in his power.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the same subject.

47. The Clerk laid before the Board a communication from the Bank of London, dated 29th September, 1865, transmitting the Broker's Note of the sale of £18,198 11s. New 3 per Cent. Annuities, pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 29th September last, (No. 5).

48. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Mitchell, Vestry Clerk, Whitechapel, dated 28th September, 1865, stating that the Churchwardens and Trustees of Whitechapel were desirous of disposing of an engine house, and two engines, with hose, buckets, &c., to the Board, and suggesting the importance of a fire engine station being kept at Whitechapel.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the same subject.

49. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. James Parker, Vestry Clerk, Fulham, dated 6th October, 1865, forwarding a Cheque for £916 1s. 4d., in payment of the amount assessed on the Parish of Fulham, for the ordinary expenses of the Board for the current year, due on the 24th June last.

Resolved—That the receipt of the said Cheque be acknowledged, and that the Order of the Board of the 22nd September last, (No. 5), instructing the Clerk to obtain a copy of the Poor Rate of the parish of Fulham, be not further acted upon.

50. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. James Church, Deputy Manager of the Bank of London, dated 5th October, 1865, enclosing the Certificates of the Engineer, and Receipts for Cheques drawn on the 4th August last, deposited with the Bank, and two Cheques for £5,000 and £200, drawn in favour of Mr. Webster and Mr. Moxon respectively, which had not been paid.

Resolved—That the said Certificates, Receipts, and Cheques be handed to the Accountant of the Board.

51. The following **Notice** was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Shepherd, (No. 252)—As to introducing a joint Deputation from the Vestries of Shoreditch, St. Luke, and Islington, on the subject of the formation of a direct route into the City, from the Upper, or High Street, Islington.

Adjourned until Friday, the 13th October instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 36.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **13th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Major William Lyon.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 6th October instant, were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Main Drainage Committee.

Spring Gardens,
3rd October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 15), they have considered the application of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, for a lease of about 10 acres of land, belonging to the Board, adjoining the Northern Outfall Sewer, at Barking, for the purpose of irrigation with sewage. Your Committee have caused enquiries to be made as to the rent at which land in the neighbourhood is let for agricultural purposes, and have

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ascertained it to be from £3 to £4 per acre. Considering that the object of the Company is to test the value of the Sewage as a manure, in raising grass-crops, and that the ground is, at present, in a very rough state, your Committee do not think a higher rent should be demanded than that usually paid for land in that locality. With regard to the mode of tenancy, they are of opinion that it would not be advisable to grant a lease for a term of years, but that it should be let to the Company on an annual tenancy. They accordingly recommend—

That the piece of land in question be let to the Company, on an annual tenancy, from Michaelmas last, at a yearly rent of £4 an acre, the Company agreeing to give up the land at the expiration of their tenancy, without compensation of any kind; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreement.

Your Committee have also to report that, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 29th ultimo, (No. 13), they have considered the application of Mr. E. J. B. Bumstead, for compensation for alleged loss, sustained from the construction of the Greenwich and Deptford Sewerage Works, near his premises. It appears that a shaft was sunk for tunnelling, and a pumping engine erected close to the applicant's house, and that, in consequence of the refusal of the Authorities of Greenwich Hospital to allow any cutting, or shaft, in the grounds of the Hospital, that, near Mr. Bumstead's premises, was obliged to be kept open for a period of nearly ten months; the Contractor's tunnelling operations being much delayed by his being obliged to execute a very long length of sewer from this one shaft. Mr. Bumstead states that he suffered much inconvenience and loss of trade from the obstruction of the traffic, &c., during this period. Your Honorable Board have invariably refused to entertain claims of this nature, and your Committee are not prepared to advise a departure from that course in this instance. They accordingly recommend—

That Mr. Bumstead be informed that the Board regret the inconvenience he has suffered, but are unable to entertain his claim.

Your Committee have further to report that they have received an application from Mr. Cresy, Principal Assistant Clerk, requesting a consideration of his services in the preparation of Plans and Specifications, and the supervision of the construction of the three Gas-Meter Testing-Houses, in Spitalfields, Westminster, and Southwark. It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that, in the Autumn of 1861, it was referred to a Committee to carry out the provisions of the Sale of Gas Acts. It appears from the Minutes of the proceedings of that Committee, that, on the 16th October, of that year, they passed the following Resolution—

"That as the carrying out of the provisions of the Sale of Gas Acts would materially interfere "with the time of Mr. Vulliamy, so urgently required in his own Department, and in carrying out "the new Street Improvements, this Committee request, for the future, that Mr. Cresy should "attend their Meetings and assist them in discharging such duties as are now performed by Mr. "Vulliamy, in respect thereto."

Since that time Mr. Cresy has had the general superintendence of the machinery for carrying those Acts into effect. When it became advisable to abandon the temporary Testing-houses, and to erect others of a permanent character, the duty of preparing the Plans and Specifications for the same, and of superintending the erection of the buildings, was cast upon Mr. Cresy. The cost of these works amounted, together, to

about £6,000; the Southwark Testing-House was completed in July, 1862; that in Spitalfields, in February, 1863; and that in St. Ann-street, Westminster, in January, 1865. The whole of the labour in connection with these buildings, viz.—the negotiation for the sites; the preparation of the Plans and Specifications; the superintendence of them, while in course of erection, and the settlement of the accounts, has devolved upon Mr. Cresy, and your Committee have learnt, through the Chairman of the Board, that this work has been principally performed by him after the usual office hours. Your Committee having taken the circumstances into consideration, recommend your Honorable Board—

To award to Mr. Cresy the sum of £105, as a special remuneration for the services referred to.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Dalton, and

Resolved—That the offer of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, to rent a piece of land belonging to the Board, adjoining the Northern Outfall Sewer, be accepted, and that the same be let to the Company on an annual tenancy, from Michaelmas last, at a yearly rental of £4 per acre, the Company agreeing to give up the land at the expiration of their tenancy without compensation of any kind; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreement.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That Mr. Bumstead be informed, with reference to his application for compensation for alleged loss sustained from the construction of the Greenwich, &c., Sewerage Works, near his premises, that the Board regret the inconvenience he has suffered, but are unable to entertain his claim.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Richardson and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

The **motion** having, by leave of the Board, been withdrawn, the **amendment** was put to the vote as an **original motion**, and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the sum of £105 be awarded to Mr. Cresy, in consideration of extra services rendered by him in the preparation of Plans and Specifications, and supervision of the construction of the three Gas-Meter Testing-Houses; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Current Account of the Board, accordingly.

3. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
10th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, agreeably to the Resolution of the Board of the 6th instant, (No. 30), they have considered the Solicitor's report, suggesting that some extra precautions should be taken with reference to parties proposed as Sureties by Contractors for works. It appears to your Committee desirable that some alteration

should be made in the present arrangement, in order to afford greater security to the Board, and your Solicitor has prepared a form of Declaration as to the obligations into which such parties have entered, to be inserted in Tenders, which, in their opinion, will meet the object in view. They beg to submit this to your Honorable Board, and recommend the same for adoption.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 6th instant, (No. 33), they have considered the 11th Section of the Sewage Utilization Act, passed last Session, which prohibits the making of a Sewer by a Sewer Authority, so as to drain directly into any stream or water-course. This Section is very important, as affecting streams, &c., outside the Metropolitan Area, but inasmuch as the Board is bound by the Main Drainage Act to divert the Sewage from the Thames, it does not appear necessary that any action should be taken.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB$^{T.}$ FREEMAN.
GEO. PECKETT.

FORM OF DECLARATION REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

WE are willing, if this Tender should be accepted, to become Sureties for Mr. jointly and severally, in the sum of £ , and to execute the necessary Instruments. And we respectively declare we are not bound for Mr. , or for any other person or persons, or Corporation, or others, to any person or persons whomsover, or to the Crown, or any Department of State, as Sureties, and that we have entered into no recognizance, obligation, or engagement in the way of Suretyship for any Contractor, or other person, or body, except as follows—

[*Here state any Particulars.*]

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the alteration of Tenders, in regard to Sureties proposed by Contractors for works, be approved, and that the Form of Declaration now submitted, be adopted, and inserted in all future Tenders.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the 11th Section of the Sewage Utilization Act, be approved and adopted.

4. Mr. Evans brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
11th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have had before them the following Accounts, relating to claims in respect of properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and having ascertained that the same are correct, recommend—

That Cheques be drawn for the several amounts—

Re Mrs. M. A. Smith, (No. 20, Queen-street)—		
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Drummond, Robinson, and Till)	-	£55 0 0
Re Grout, (Nos. 5 and 6, St. Peter's-hill)—		
Proportion of Rent, due Lady-day last, (Mr. Charles Grout)	-	5 11 6

Re Gosnell, (No. 25, Poultry)—

Purchase-money (Mr. Edward Gosnell) - - -	13,200 0 0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Rutherford and Son) - -	46 4 10
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. Edward Gosnell) - - -	21 0 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
BENJ^N. EVANS.
W^M. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That Cheques, as follow, be drawn—

Metropolis Improvement Act, 1863, *(New Street to Mansion House)*.

Re Mrs. M. A. Smith, (No. 20, Queen-street)—

Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Drummond, Robinson, and Till) -	£55 0 0

Re Grout, (Nos. 5 and 6, St. Peter's Hill)—

Proportion of rent, due Lady-day last, (Mr. Charles Grout)	5 11 6

Re Gosnell, (No. 25, Poultry)—

Purchase-money (Mr. Edward Gosnell) - - - -	13,200 0 0
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Rutherford and Son) - - -	46 4 10
Surveyor's Fees (Mr. Edward Gosnell) - - - -	21 0 0

And Cheques were drawn on the Thames Embankment (North) Account, accordingly.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th October, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HAMPSTEAD.				
Lawn-road, St. John's-park, Haverstock-hill . . .	about 977	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
POPLAR.				
Seyssel-street, Manchester-street, Poplar	510	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
CAMBERWELL.				
Dagmar-road, Wilson-road, Florence-road, and Grace's-road, Peckham	about 2,230	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
ST. GEORGE-THE-MARTYR, SOUTHWARK.				
West-place, Ely-place, and Brook-place, Old Kent-road . .	330	9 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE.				
From Eccleston-bridge to the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway Company's Dock, by the Grosvenor-road . .	about 1,200 1,550	2′0″ barrel 12 inch	brick pipe	Recommended for surface drainage only.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th October, 1865, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Date of applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic can be diverted.
	CAMBERWELL.				
1865. 7 Oct.	St. George's-road .	Sewerage works	4 months	4 months	These streets are comprised in two blocks and the traffic can be accommodated through parts of the streets, whilst the works are being carried out in the other portions.
	Camden-grove, North	do.	3 months	3 months	
	Union-road, Charles-street, St. George's-street . . .	do.	2 months each	2 months each	
	Earl-st., Victoria-place, Oakley-place, Earl-road, John-st., Scarsdale-rd., William-st., Gloucester-place, Bath-street, Canal-st., and Surrey-place . .	do.	1 month each	1 month each	
	ST. LUKE, MIDDLESEX.				
9th Oct.	Charles-st., City-rd.	Re-paving and sewerage works	6 weeks	6 weeks	Central and Pickard streets.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

7. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S. W.,
12th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 11th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	3,342	1,969
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	...	...
	3,342	1,969

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 11th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - - -	92,539	160,358
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	99,403	170,534

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 269,937 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

8. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
12th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH. ACCIDENT.

I regret to report that a man was drowned upon the No. 1 Section of these works, near Waterloo-bridge, on the 6th instant. He was shifting a pile-engine on a barge, and the iron bar he was using for the purpose, having slipped, caused him to fall, head first, into the water, with the bar in his hand. As he never rose to the surface, it is probable that he was injured by the bar in falling. The body was recovered in about three-quarters of an hour, and the Coroner's Jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death."

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

9. Read a Report by the Engineer, submitting a Report by Dr. Letheby, stating the result of his examination of the sample of Sewage, taken from the Main Sewer in Blackman street, Borough, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 29th September last, (No. 8).

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That the Report be received, and entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
12th October, 1865.

BLACKMAN STREET SEWER ACCIDENT.

I submit herewith Dr. Henry Letheby's Report of the result of his examination of the sample of Sewage taken from the Main Sewer, in Blackman-street, Borough, shortly after the late accident; and I recommend that the Solicitor of the Board be instructed to serve a notice upon the Aërated Bread Company, requiring them at once to desist from discharging their manufacturing refuse into the sewer.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

College Laboratory, London Hospital,
October 9th, 1865.

Dear Sir,

In accordance with your request, I have to report to you, for the information of the Metropolitan Board of Works, the results of the examination of the sample of Sewage from the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, where an accident occurred on the 14th ultimo, to three of the men engaged in flushing the Sewer.

The material was sent to me on the 2nd instant, and it was contained in a quart wine bottle. It was giving off abundance of sulphuretted hydrogen and carbonic acid; and on analysis, I found it consisted of carbonate of lime, in the form of chalk or whiting, and sulphate of lime, mixed with the usual black deposit of sewage. The composition of it was the same as that which I examined in June last, from a sewer in Beech-lane, Barbican, into which the refuse from one of the establishments of the Aërated Bread Company was discharged. I may state also, that in that case, as in the present, the quantity of foul air evolved into the atmosphere of the sewer was so great as to be dangerous to human life, in fact the workmen were afraid to enter the sewer; and as it was a subject of complaint by the Engineer of the Commissioners of Sewers, I was requested to enquire into it.

I found that the Aërated Bread Company were in the habit of employing a mixture of whiting and oil of vitriol for the generation of the carbonic acid used in the vesiculation of the bread; and that when this mixture had ceased to evolve the gas in sufficient quantity

for their purpose, it was discharged into the sewer, where it continued to give off carbonic acid in such volume as to render the atmosphere unwholesome. About half a ton of this refuse was let into the sewer at a time; and I have reason to believe that it was not only evolving carbonic acid, but it was also, from its acid nature, causing the escape of sulphuretted hydrogen from the sewer mud.

Judging, therefore, from this analogy, I have no doubt that the material found in the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, has had a similar origin, namely in the neighbouring bakery of the Aërated Bread Company, and that the foul air which was so nearly fatal to the workmen, was the carbonic acid evolved from the material.

As to the remedy for the danger which arises from the discharge of such matter into the sewers, I am not able to offer much advice, except by pointing out the necessity for the adoption of some means whereby the discharge of noxious matters into the public sewers may be regulated, if not entirely stopped.

The records of the fatal accidents in the Sewers of this Metropolis, shew how, under ordinary circumstances, by the natural processes of decomposition, the sewage may evolve sufficient carbonic acid and sulphuretted hydrogen to be dangerous to human life, but when, as in the present instance, the proportion of these gases is largely increased by the chemical action of manufacturing refuse, the danger may be serious. Experiment has proved that air with less than ten per cent of carbonic acid, or with only from one to two per cent. of sulphuretted hydrogen, may be immediately fatal to animal life; and although these proportions do not often exist in the atmosphere of the Metropolitan Sewers, yet they may be easily generated by the action of acid refuse upon the sewer mud. There is, indeed, a remarkable instance of this in the accident which occurred in the Fleet Lane Sewer in the month of February, 1861, when four men were instantly killed. The gas which destroyed them was sulphuretted hydrogen, and I have no doubt it was produced by the chemical action of acid refuse from a neighbouring factory upon the mud of the sewer in which they were working. Other cases have also come under my notice where more or less mischief has arisen from like causes; and, considering the importance of the subject, I am of opinion that certain restrictions should be placed on the discharge of manufacturing refuse into the public sewers.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) HY. LETHEBY.

J. W. Bazalgette, Esq.

Resolved—That the Solicitor be instructed to serve a notice on the Aërated Bread Company, as recommended by the Engineer.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th October, 1865, on letters from Sir C. Fox and Son, requesting approval to such portion of the Plan and Section of the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway, as affects the jurisdiction of the Board; stating that the proposed Plans would seriously interfere with the Regent-street and Victoria-street Sewers and Outlets, and that the line should be lowered in, and from Scotland-yard, through the Embankment, so as to pass under and entirely clear of those Sewers, or that the whole of the Sewers, with their connected works, should be diverted to the South side of the proposed Railway, at the sole cost of the Company, and under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Railway Company be requested to state which of the alternatives suggested by the Engineer they would be prepared to adopt, and to submit Plans accordingly.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 12th October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. R. H. Burnett, Resident Engineer, &c., Metropolitan Railway, requesting permission to fix an iron lamp-bracket, on the side of the Middle Level Sewer Aqueduct, crossing the line near the Farringdon-street Station.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that the application be granted, on condition that the proposed lamp-bracket do remain only during the pleasure of the Board; that it be fixed to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and that the Railway Company do remove the same at their own cost, when called upon by the Board to do so.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
13th October, 1865.

COUNTERS CREEK SEWER, KENSAL GREEN.

On Friday last, the 6th instant, this Board permitted Mr. Carter, on behalf of certain owners of property, near the Great Western Railway-bridge, Kensal Green, to cover-over a portion of the Counters Creek Sewer in that locality, upon condition that the arching was formed in 4½ inch brick-work in Portland cement, and with Portland cement concrete in the haunches, from one foot, at least, in width, at the springing to the crown of the sewer; the work being done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board.

Mr. Carter was duly informed of the Board's requirements, the receipt of which he acknowledged on the 9th instant, but it appears that he commenced the work on the 5th, and I have now to report, that the completed portion, about 150 feet in length, is very badly executed, some parts are in mortar, some in Roman cement, and a part in Portland cement. The bricks are bad, and the concrete at the springing is only from 4 to 6 inches wide, and made of chalk lime.

I yesterday wrote to Mr. Carter, informing him that, as the works were not being carried out in accordance with the requirements of the Board, I should bring the matter under their notice to-day, and recommend them to withdraw their sanction to the work, and require him to take up what has been executed, forthwith.

This course I beg to recommend, and further, that the Solicitor be instructed to communicate to Mr. Carter, the Board's decision.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved, *unanimously*—That in consequence of the non-fulfilment by Mr. Carter of the conditions imposed by the Resolution of the Board of the 6th instant, (No. 18), the sanction thereby given be withdrawn; that Mr. Carter be required forthwith to take up the portion of the work which has been executed, and that the Solicitor do forward a communication to him accordingly.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 13th October, 1865, submitting the reply received from the Plumstead District Board of Works, with reference to the complaint made by the War Office of the offensive condition of the Plumstead Marshes, as follows—

Board of Works for the Plumstead District. Office, Charlton, S.E.
October 12th, 1865.

Dear Sir,

Your letters of the 27th ultimo, and 2nd instant, have been laid before this Board, and, in reply, I am directed to inform you that no unnecessary delay has taken place in carrying into effect the drainage of the Parish of Plumstead, and that the works have been commenced, and are now in active progress for that purpose. In explanation of the interval which has elapsed since the approval of the Metropolitan Board of the Plans in question, I am directed to point out that the Board did not feel justified in inviting Tenders for the works until they had obtained a Loan of the requisite funds, amounting to £15,000, the accomplishment of which, at a period of monetary pressure, occupied a considerable time. When, however, that difficulty was overcome, it became necessary to have the works carried out in successive sections, in order, among other obvious reasons, that the Board's Officers

might be enabled to exercise proper vigilance and supervision during the progress of the sewer works, and the Board exercised their best discretion in the arrangement of such sections.

The first section is far advanced; the second is contracted for, and will be commenced in a few days. Another section, comprising the Plumstead Marshes, will be contracted for very shortly, and the fourth and last section will be taken up in due course.

I trust this explanation will exonerate the Board from any charge of inattention to the acknowledged drainage requirements of the Parish of Plumstead.

I am, &c.

J. W. Bazalgette, Esq., Engineer, Metropolitan Board of Works. (Signed) CHARLES AUGN. SMITH, Clerk to the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be received, and that a copy of the communication from the District Board be transmitted to the War Office.

14. Mr. Brooker handed in a Memorial from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, praying this Board, under the provisions of the 137th Section of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, to declare the sewer or stream, called the Quaggy, to be a Main Sewer, and to take the same under their management accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

15. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, Contractor, dated 2nd October, 1865, stating that the claim of Mr. William Bradley, for alleged injury to his property, Nos. 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22, Grosvenor-park, North, Newington, had been settled.

16. Read a Report, as follows—

BANK OF ENGLAND—PROPOSED LOAN.

The Solicitor of the Bank has sent me the Draft of a Contract, Opinion of Counsel, and other Papers. The subject of this Loan is before the Finance Committee, but as the papers involve some matters which might possibly require a reference, I would suggest that the whole of the papers be referred to the Finance Committee.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Freshfields and Newman, dated 4th October, 1865, forwarding a Draft Agreement for the loan of £616,000, a Draft Mortgage for £300,000, and a copy of Mr. Sweet's Opinion upon the Acts, being the papers referred to in the foregoing Report.

Resolved—That the several documents be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former reference on the same subject.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contract between Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman and the Board, dated 2nd October, 1865, for the Printing required for the use of the Office, to the 2nd October, 1866, together with the Bond for the faithful performance of the same, duly executed by the Contractors and their Sureties.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contract between Messrs. Ford and Tilt and the Board, dated 2nd October, 1865, for the supply of Stationery, Binding, and Small Stores, to the Board for one year, together with the Bond for the faithful performance of the same, duly executed by the Contractors and their Sureties.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. Read a Report, as follows—

POOR RATE—SEWERS AND LIGHTING RATE—SLUICE HOUSE.

On attending the Petty Sessions, the Bench ordered the sum of 8s. to be deducted from the claim, and the matter was settled by the Board paying the sum of £1 3s.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. H. E. Kendall, District Surveyor of St. Martin-in-the-Fields and St. Ann, Soho, dated 13th October, 1865, stating the present position of the question with reference to Saville House.

21. Read a Report by the Solicitor, stating with reference to the claim of Mr. J. C. Walton, for compensation in respect of alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, in the execution of sewerage works, that an offer of £20 had been made, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 29th September last, (No. 28), but that no reply had been received from him, and that the Contractor wished the Board to resist the payment of any further sum.

Resolved—That, in the event of any proceedings being taken by the claimant, the Solicitor do take the necessary steps for resisting the same, and for protecting the interests of the Board.

22. Read a Report, as follows—

OLD FORD SALE.

This property was sold yesterday for £900. As the Abstract must be delivered in seven days, the Board will, probably, direct me at once to deliver the necessary Abstract, so that the time necessary to go before the Main Drainage Committee may not be lost. The reserved price has been much more than reached.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Solicitor be instructed forthwith to deliver the necessary Abstract of Title to the property.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Memorandum of Agreement for extending the time for the making of the Award by the Arbitrators on the claim of Messrs. Eastwood, in respect of the wharf and premises, numbered 41 to 47A on the Plan of the Thames Embankment, South.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Memorandum of Agreement; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Lewis C. Hertslet, dated 10th October, 1865, enclosing a Medical Certificate of the state of health of his son, Mr. Lewis F. Hertslet, a Junior Assistant in the Solicitor's Department, stating it was of the greatest importance that he should pass the ensuing winter out of England, and requesting that his second son might be permitted to fulfil the duties of Mr. Lewis F. Hertslet during his absence.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the request be complied with.

25. **Resolved**—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board, appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **13th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	John Savage, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Major William Lyon.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	George Hudson, Esq.
	Charles Westerton, Esq.	
	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens,
10th October, 1865.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 13th day of October, 1865, at One o'Clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

To receive Report from Main Drainage Committee—

Recommending—

That the Salary of the Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £2,000 per annum; that he be allowed £200 per annum for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

That the Salaries of the Assistant Engineers, Messrs. Lovick, Grant, and Cooper, be raised from £500 to £800 per annum, each; that they be allowed £200 per annum, each, for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

Or to pass such further, or other, Orders thereon, as may be expedient.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
10th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the following Resolution, passed at the Special Meeting of the Board, held on Friday last, viz.—"That "the whole question of the Salaries and remuneration to the Engineer and Assis- "tant Engineers, be referred to a Committee of the whole Board, to inquire as to their "respective Salaries at their appointment, together with all additions made thereto, "and that the Committee be requested to report their recommendation thereon." In answer to that part of the reference which relates to the Engineer, your Committee have ascertained that, on the 14th January, 1856, (No. 4), the Salary of the Engineer was fixed at £1,000 a year, including travelling and incidental expenses. On the 15th July, 1859, (No. 6), it was ordered that, in consequence of the increased duties and expenses of the Engineer, by reason of the Main Drainage Works, the sum of £200 should be allowed to him for travelling expenses, in addition to the salary and allowance he was then receiving, thus making the salary and allowance together, £1,200; and, on the 19th July, 1861, (No. 2), this was further increased by an addition of £200, being £1,200 for salary, and £200 for travelling expenses. On the 21st November, 1862, in consequence of the increased duties of the Engineer, in connection with the Thames Embankment, an addition of £300 was made to his Salary, which, with the travelling expenses as heretofore, made a total of £1,700 a year, being the amount received by that Officer at the present time.

With regard to the Assistant Engineers, your Committee find that they were appointed by the Board on the 22nd February, 1856, (No. 2), at Salaries of £350 per annum, each, with an allowance in each case of £50 per annum for travelling expenses. On the 22nd July, 1859, (No. 5), and 5th August, 1859, (No. 10), in consequence of their increased duties and expenses, by reason of the Main Drainage Works, an additional allowance of £150 was made to them for travelling and incidental expenses, making a total amount, of £550 per annum, each; and on the 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), their salaries were increased to £500 per annum, respectively, making, with the allowances for travelling expenses of £200 a year each, an annual sum of £700, being the amount received by each of the Assistant Engineers at the present time. In dealing with the question referred to them, your Committee have been most desirous to submit such a proposition as would meet the views of the Members of the Board. The eminent services rendered by the Engineer, in designing and carrying out the great works entrusted to the Board, are universally acknowledged. It is probably not too much to say that the Main Drainage of the Metropolis is one of the greatest engineering works ever undertaken, and the successful execution of it would have reflected credit on the ability and skill of any Engineer of the very highest standing in his profession. It appears to your Committee that every Member of your Honorable Board shares the same opinion with regard to the valuable services of Mr. Bazalgette, and they are convinced that it is the desire of every Member that he should be properly rewarded for these services. Your Committee would advert to the fact that, in addition to the Thames Embankment and the other great works entrusted to the Board, the Engineer examines and reports on all the Plans for drainage submitted by Vestries and District Boards, and your

Committee find that, up to the present time, he has inspected and reported on the Plans for no less than 350 miles of local sewers. The attention of your Committee has also been directed to another important duty which has lately been cast upon the Engineer, viz., the examination and reporting upon the several Bridges proposed to be constructed by Railway Companies over the thoroughfares within the Metropolitan area, a duty which he has carried out with much skill and ability. Taking all these circumstances into consideration, your Committee are of opinion that the Board should testify their appreciation of the services of the Engineer by forthwith making a substantial addition to his present salary. With regard to the Assistant Engineers, who have, from the commencement, shared Mr. Bazalgette's labours in the great works carried out by him, and who have uniformly displayed much ability, energy, and zeal in the service of the Board, your Committee are of opinion that the salary at present received by them is inadequate, and disproportioned to their services. In addition to their ordinary labours, your Honorable Board has lately imposed on them the duty of inspecting the Railway Bridges in course of construction in their respective Districts, for the purpose of seeing that they are built in accordance with the conditions contained in the Orders of the Board. It is needless to state that this duty will entail upon them an increased expenditure of time and labour, and that it is one requiring much special knowledge and engineering skill. In determining the amount of the additions which should, in the opinion of the Committee, be made to the salaries of these Officers, they have had regard to the fact that the Engineer-in-chief is the Author and Designer of the works, and the Officer responsible to the Board for their successful execution, and they consider therefore that the addition to his salary should be in proportion to his responsibility. The resolutions at which your Committee have almost unanimously arrived, and which they beg to submit in the earnest hope that they will receive the approval of your Honorable Board, are—

That the Salary of the Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £2,000 per annum; that he be allowed £200 per annum for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the resolution of the Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

That the Salaries of the Assistant Engineers, Messrs. Lovick, Grant, and Cooper, be raised from £500 to £800 per annum, each; that they be allowed £200 per annum, each, for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the resolution of the Board of the 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB^{T}. FREEMAN.
GEO. PECKETT.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Dixon—That the Salary of the Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £2,000 per annum; that he be allowed £200 per annum for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Newton—"That the Salary of the Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £2,000 "per annum; that he be allowed £200 per annum for travelling and incidental expenses, "until the completion of the Main Drainage Works, and those works already ordered by

"the Board, for the improvement of the Main Sewers under Schedule D to the Metropolis "Local Management Act, when such allowance of £200 per annum, shall cease and deter- "mine, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No, 2), be "altered and varied accordingly."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That the Salary of the Chief Engineer be raised from £1,500 to £1,800 per annum; that he be allowed £200 per annum for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the resolution of the Board of the 21st November, 1862, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—9.

Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Lyon, Major W.	Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor.

Against the Amendment—25.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Carpmael, W., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—28.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Carpmael, W., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Clark, W., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Westerton, Charles, Esq.
Hudson, G., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

Against the Motion—5.

Brooker, J., Esq.	Taylor, H. L. Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Savage.

And it was **resolved** accordingly, by the votes of a majority consisting of more than two-thirds of the Members present in favour of the motion.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That the Salaries of the Assistant Engineers, Messrs. Lovick, Grant, and Cooper, be raised from £500 to £800 per annum, each; that they be allowed £200 per annum, each, for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the Salaries of the Assistant Engineers, Messrs. Lovick, Grant, and Cooper, be raised from £500 to £700 per annum, each; that they be allowed £200 per annum, each, for travelling and incidental expenses, as heretofore, and that the Resolution of the Board of the 1st November, 1861, (No. 2), be altered and varied accordingly.

Mr. Legg having subsequently, by leave of the Board, withdrawn his **amendment**, the **original motion** was put to the vote, and declared to be carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—27.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Hudson, G., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Carpmael, W. Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Clark, W., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Dixon, B., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Savage, J., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

Against the Motion—8.

Healey, F., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Lyon, Major W.	

Teller—Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor.

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **13th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.	Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.		William Newton, Esq.
		Cyrus Legg, Esq.
		Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.

1. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Harding, on behalf of Mr. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 13, Park-place, Kennington-cross, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

2. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th September, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Danby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 41, Great Charlotte-street, Blackfriars-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

3. The Board, pursuant to their Resolution of the 6th inst. (No. 16), resumed the consideration of the Superintending Architect's Report, on the application of Mr. J. Welton, on behalf of Mr. Jones, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of "The Mechanics' Arms" public-house, Minerva-place, Old Kent-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Richardson—That the application be not granted.

4. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Mansfield and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stone balcony, at the house, No. 5, Mansfield-street, Portland-place, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dixon—that the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

5. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. P. Padmore, on behalf of Gen. Stanhope, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stone balcony, with an iron railing and verandah, at No. 34, Harley-street, Cavendish-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That so much of the application as relates to the balcony be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; but that so much of the application as relates to the verandah be not granted.

6. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Bird, on behalf of Mr. H. J. Dixon, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch in front of the house, No. 8, Hyde-park-gate South, to the height of the ground story, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

7. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Luke, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 295, New Cross-road, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

8. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Arnold, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony at the drawing-room windows of the house, No. 3, Portugal-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the supports and construction of the balcony be to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

9. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Major, on behalf of Mr. Kelsey, for the consent of the Board to

an addition to his shop in High-street, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

10. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. E. Groves, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to two houses in Denman-road, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

11. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Danby, on behalf of Mr. W. G. Trewby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of the houses, Nos. 121, 123, 125, 127, Waterloo-road, and No. 67, corner of New-cut, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

12. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Low, for the consent of the Board to the erection of six houses on the South-side of West Hill-road, at the corner of Amberley-road, Lewisham, with porches in front of the houses, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the fronts of the houses be kept at a distance of 30 feet from the public way; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

13. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Bennett, on behalf of Mr. Debnam, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the "Jolly Gardeners" public-house, at the corner of Corbett's-lane and Rotherhithe New-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the corner of the building next Corbett's-lane be rounded off, and that the vacant ground in front be added to the public-way; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

14. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John W. Phillips, for the approval by the Board of the construction and materials for wooden-eaves and barge boards to two pairs of villas, in a road leading out of Dartmouth-road, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the party walls be corbelled out to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

15. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. H. Parkinson, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a warehouse, in Narrow-street, Ratcliff, with an enclosure towards the river supported by iron uprights, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

16. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Dixey, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a stable at the rear of his house in Willow Walk, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

17. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Harrison, on behalf of Messrs. More and Co., for the approval by the Board of a plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises in White's-yard, White Cross-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

18. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Saunderson, on behalf of the King's Cross Patent Wheel Company, for the approval by the Board of the construction of sheds at their works in Old St. Pancras Road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

19. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Pettit, for the approval by the Board of the enclosure of certain arches under the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway, at Blue Anchor-lane, Bermondsey, and of the erection of external wooden balconies to connect the arches, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that, instead of wooden enclosures, corrugated iron be used, supported by angle irons, (except in the case of the louver boarding, required for drying purposes,) and that the external balconies be railed in.

20. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Watts and Delf, for the approval by the Board of a shed erected at the rear of their premises, in Clarence-place, Clapham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the present wooden posts and enclosure be removed; that they be replaced by angle irons and corrugated iron, and that the roof be covered with incombustible materials, the work being done to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

21. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Newman and Hewitt, on behalf of Messrs. Harrison, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises in Great May's-buildings, St. Martin's-lane.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

22. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. Nowlan, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at the Asphalte works, Victoria-wharf, Deptford.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

23. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edmund Leahy, of the firm of Messrs. Rand and Co., for the approval by the Board of the erection of an additional story, partly in iron and partly in glass and brickwork, over the premises at the rear of the house, No. 21, Cardington-street, Euston-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

24. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Silvester C. Capes, on behalf of Mr. George Forrest, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at his premises, No. 6, Neville's-court, Fetter-lane.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Jones, Brothers, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their premises at Lock's-wharf, Arlington-street, New North-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law; that no girder or other floor construction be allowed to rest on the shaft, and be properly trimmed around it.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three roads, leading out of Tredegar-road and Mostyn-road, Bow, and of the names, "Morville-street," "Cawthorne-street," and "Lacey-street," for the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Elkington, on behalf of Mr. E. R. Adams, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road to lead from Maple-road to Croydon-road, Penge.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. D. Smith, Son, & Oakley, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for widening an existing road, and for the continuation thereof from Shooter's-hill-road, to Kidbrooke Manor.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Manley and Rogers, requesting the Board to name a new street abutting on St. George's-road, Primrose-hill, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on 14th March, 1862, (No. 36).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the street in question be named "Egbert-street."

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Ellison, for the approval by the Board of the names "Bertram-street" and "Winscombe-street," for two new streets Southward of Chester-road, Highgate, the Plan for the formation of which was approved on the 30th June last, (No. 54).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Roffey, on behalf of the Vestry of Lambeth, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-road and Park-crescent, Stockwell, and Upper and Lower Tulse-hill.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

32. The Superintending Architect reported that he and the Engineer of the Board had been asked to give their opinion as to the sufficiency of some Estimates for forming a new Street and Subway at Brussels, and requested the sanction of the Board to their so doing.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Collinson—That the application be granted.

33. The Clerk laid before the Board a Return, as follows—

RETURN showing the number of Gas Meters tested by each Inspector, with the amount of Fees received for the same, for the Quarter ending 30th September, 1865.

Weeks ending	Number of Meters.				Fees Received.			
	Mr. Airey.	Mr. Deth-ridge.	Mr. Mills.	Total.	White Lion Street, Spitalfields.	Castle Street, Southwark.	St. Ann Street, Westminster.	Total.
1865.					£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
July 8	82	120	180	382	2 17 0	3 19 6	9 4 0	16 0 6
,, 15	270	128	322	720	8 15 0	3 2 0	10 16 6	22 13 6
,, 22	306	89	258	653	8 10 0	3 4 0	9 2 0	20 16 0
,, 29	354	133	160	647	10 7 0	4 15 6	5 17 6	21 0 0
August 5	410	110	214	734	14 1 6	4 2 6	12 1 6	30 5 6
,, 12	275	142	286	703	8 5 6	4 14 6	7 1 0	20 1 0
,, 19	270	259	200	729	12 16 0	7 1 0	7 15 6	27 12 6
,, 26	390	153	300	843	13 4 6	8 3 6	12 19 0	34 7 0
Sept. 2	353	180	230	763	6 9 6	3 2 0	5 9 6	15 1 0
,, 9	287	186	215	688	11 6 0	5 14 6	5 19 6	23 0 0
,, 16	394	150	218	762	12 10 6	12 1 0	8 9 0	33 0 6
,, 23	476	152	277	905	15 15 6	3 3 0	7 19 6	26 18 0
,, 30	378	177	147	702	9 13 0	5 17 6	6 12 0	22 2 6
	4,245	1,979	3,007	9,231	134 11 0	69 0 6	109 6 6	312 18 0

(Signed) E. CRESY.

34. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Henry Cole, C.B., Secretary, Science and Art Department, dated 5th October, 1865, requesting that two copies of all engravings of Plans, &c., of the Thames Embankment, and other Works executed by the Board, might be supplied for the use of the Art Library of the South Kensington Museum.

Resolved—That the Clerk do forward to Mr. Cole one copy of the several engravings, and that he do express the regret of the Board that they are unable, from the limited number of copies of the Plans, &c., now in stock, to supply two copies.

35. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Daw, Clerk to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, dated 9th October, 1865, requesting an appointment for the reception of a Deputation, with reference to the widening and improving of Mansion House-street.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Austin, Office of Works, &c., dated 9th October, 1865, stating that the First Commissioner had no objection to the temporary removal of a part of the parapet of Westminster-bridge, in order to divert the steam-boat passenger traffic, for the purposes of the Thames Embankment, on condition that the parapet be restored, and all the damage made good, to the satisfaction of the Surveyor of that Department.

37. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Wandsworth District Board of Works, dated 9th October, 1865, requesting the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £10,000, for the purpose of constructing a portion of the new sewers in the Parish of Putney, and forwarding particulars of the financial condition of the District.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

38. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. Buzzard, Vestry Clerk, St. James's, Westminster, dated 12th October, 1865, calling the attention of the Board to an iron crane which had recently been fixed to a warehouse at 19, Rupert-street, Haymarket, stating that the Vestry considered the same objectionable, and requesting to know whether the erection had been brought under the notice of the Board.

Resolved—That the Vestry be informed that no application has been made to the Board for permission to erect the crane in question.

39. The following **Notices** were given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Cook, (No. 253)—As to introducing a Deputation from the Poplar District Board of Works, on the subject of the state of the River Lee, and as to the adoption of means to relieve that river from the sewage, &c.

By Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, (No. 254)—As to introducing a Deputation from the Committee of Improvements of the Court of Sewers of the City of London, &c., relative to widening and improving Mansion House-street to a longer extent, Eastward, than previously proposed.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 20th October, instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 37.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **20th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 13th of October instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board, present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. A Deputation, consisting of the undermentioned gentlemen, from the Board of Works for the Poplar District, introduced by Mr. Cook, viz.— Mr. Edward Coleman, Mr. John Allen, Mr. James Hale, Mr. Philip Edinger, Mr. Cornelius Hoare, Mr. John Atherton, and Mr. Ceely, Clerk, and Mr. Parker, Surveyor to the District Board, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial, as follows—

To the Honorable the Metropolitan Board of Works.

The Memorial of the Board of Works for the Poplar District, comprising the Parishes of All Saints Poplar, Saint Mary Stratford, Bow, and Bromley Saint Leonard, under their Common Seal,

Sheweth,

That the District of your Memorialists has received but little benefit from the Main Drainage Works, owing to the greater part of it being situate in the line of the Northern Low Level Sewer works.

That a great number of houses are being rapidly built throughout the District, and become immediately inhabited; 1,400 notices for building and drainage having been given to your Memorialists during the past year.

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That many of these houses drain into the Main Sewers, discharging themselves into the River Lee, and thence into the Thames at Blackwall; others drain into the sewers discharging themselves into the Thames direct, at the Isle of Dogs, and at Blackwall, whilst a large number of these houses have no means of drainage, except into cesspools.

That that portion of the River Lee into which the before-mentioned houses are drained, extends from Hackney Wick to the Thames, at Limehouse, traversing the Parishes of Saint Mary Stratford, Bow, Bromley Saint Leonard, All Saints, Poplar, and Saint Anne, Middlesex.

That in consequence of the Trustees of the River Lee Navigation keeping the locks closed at Bromley and at Limehouse, for the purpose of maintaining a sufficiency of water for the Navigation, and not admitting the fresh water at tide times, this part of the Lee has become little better than an open sewer.

That your Memorialists are constantly receiving complaints from the Inhabitants of the District, of the nuisance arising from this state of things, and are therefore anxious to draw the serious attention of your Honorable Board to the absolute necessity of providing a remedy for the evil.

That, without desiring to become alarmists, your Memorialists cannot but view the sanitary state of this District with great anxiety, more particularly with the prospect of an outbreak of Cholera at no distant period.

That your Memorialists are aware that an absolute remedy is only to be found in the completion of the Low Level Sewer works, and your Memorialists therefore earnestly press upon your Honorable Board, the necessity of expediting these works as much as possible; but as a considerable time must elapse before these works can be completed, your Memorialists submit that some temporary measure must be resorted to by your Honorable Board to abate the nuisance during that period.

That as a means of improving the sanitary state of the River Lee, and contributing to the better drainage of the District, your Memorialists respectfully offer the following suggestions, for the consideration of your Honorable Board.

Presuming that the Hackney Wick branch will be completed in six months' time, the major part of the sewage, now flowing into the river Lee, can be diverted, say 18 months before the completion of the Pumping Station at the Abbey Mills, provided your Honorable Board will raise the sewage at No. 2 shaft of the Low Level Sewer, and discharge it into the tidal part of the River Lee, by the Bromley Rice Mills.

Or that your Honorable Board will connect the Main Sewer, situate by the Great Eastern Railway, at Old Ford, with the Hackney-brook Branch Sewer, and give your consent for your Memorialists to connect the District sewers with the same; the sewage would then flow to No. 1 shaft, of the Low Level Sewer, and could be pumped up and discharged into a bay of the tidal part of the River Lee, about 100 yards North of the Three Mills, at Bromley.

Your serious and early attention to these suggestions are respectfully requested, or that your Honorable Board will devise any other means that may seem to your Honorable Board equally efficacious.

And your Memorialists will ever pray.

The Seal of the said Board of Works was hereunto affixed by order of the said Board, this Nineteenth day of October, One Thousand Eight Hundred and Sixty-five, in the presence of

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(Signed) CHARLES C. CEELY,
Clerk of the Board.

(Signed) EDWD. COLEMAN,
Chairman.

The Memorial having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report thereon to that Committee.

3. A joint Deputation, consisting of the undermentioned gentlemen, from the Commis-

sioners of Sewers of the City of London, and the Improvements Committee of the Common Council, introduced by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, attended the Board for the purpose of calling attention to the question of widening and improving Mansion House-street to a greater extent, Eastward, than that formerly proposed, viz.—

From the Commissioners of Sewers—Mr. Deputy De Jersey, Chairman; Mr. Deputy Bower, Mr. Symonds, Mr. Cox, and Mr. Sully; Mr. Daw, Principal Clerk, and Mr. Haywood, Engineer to the Commissioners.

From the Improvements Committee—Mr. Deputy Fry, Mr. Medwin, and Mr. Stewart; Mr. Horace Jones, City Architect; and Mr. Knott, from the Town Clerk's Office.

The Deputation having addressed the Board,

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report, with power to communicate with the Authorities of the City thereon.

4. Mr. Tanner handed in a letter from Mr. Lovegrove, Surveyor to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, dated 20th October, 1865, and a Memorial from the Inhabitants of Greenwood-road, in that District, urging, amongst other things, the re-numbering of the houses in that locality.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the said Letter and Memorial be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former reference on the same subject.

5. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
16th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained the Cash Account, to be as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 14th October, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 14th October, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	15,616 12 0	95,000 0 0	110,616 12 0	285 0 10	424 13 6	709 14 4
Covent Garden Approach	615 15 9	.....	615 15 9	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	619 17 0	2,500 0 0	3,119 17 0	89 1 1	.....	89 1 1
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	128 13 11	.....	128 13 11	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	2,166 11 7	4,000 0 0	6,166 11 7	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	19,229 14 9	101,500 0 0	120,729 14 9	379 1 11	429 13 6	808 15 5
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	45,042 11 2	.....	45,042 11 2	16 13 9	8,133 10 0	8,150 3 9
Thames Embankment (North)	234,921 7 5	.....	234,921 7 5	290 10 0	9,030 1 5	9,320 11 5
£	299,193 13 4	101,500 0 0	400,693 13 4	686 5 8	17,593 4 11	18,279 10 7

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of Sums received, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received between 30th September and 14th October, 1865—

General Account.			£	*s.*	*d.*
Precepts—					
Fulham District	£ 916	1	4		
Camberwell	1,000	0	0		
			1,916	1	4
Rates—					
St. George, Hanover Square	£1,363	0	0		
Woolwich	154	15	8		
St. Marylebone	163	14	4		
			£1,681	10	0
Produce of Sale of New 3 per Cents.			15,855	7	2
Taxed Costs in respect of a prosecution			2	4	6
					19,455 3 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication.					
Rents—per J. Gotto					130 14 6
Main Drainage Rate Collection.					
Rates—					
St. George, Hanover Square			£1,567	0	0
Woolwich			51	16	4
Battersea			319	0	1
					1,937 16 5
Thames Embankment (North).					
Produce of Sale of Old Materials, New Street to Mansion House			£ 301	6	6
Rents—per J. Gotto			14	12	6
					315 19 0
					£21,839 12 11

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the Engineer and Accountant for the payment of the Sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the Sums specified, amounting to £27,449 15s. 11d., be paid.

Your Committee have considered the state of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £2,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 130), they have considered the application of the Vestry of Lambeth, for permission to borrow the sum of £6,000, for the execution of certain paving works in the Parish. Of this sum, £4,209 4s. 2d., is for paving one side of the footway of Cold Harbour-lane and Stockwell-place, which the Engineer has reported to be a fair and reasonable estimate. The balance of the £6,000, viz., £1,790 15s. 10d., is to pay the excess of the cost of paving works executed, over and above the sum of £16,000, borrowed for that purpose, the excess being caused by an increased width of paving in parts,

advance in prices, expenses of mortgage, &c. Your Committee have had before them a statement, showing the financial condition of the Parish, which appears to them to justify the proposed loan. They recommend—

That the application be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of 20 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that, in the early part of the present year, two of the Collectors of Rates, under the Board—Mr. Boult and Mr. Thiselton, were defaulters, and it was referred to your Committee to inquire into the circumstances, and to take the necessary steps for recovering the amounts in default. In the case of Mr. Boult, who was a defaulter to the amount of £353 17s. 6d., an arrangement was made, your Honorable Board having accepted a sum of £200 from his Sureties, in discharge of their liability. In the case of Mr. Thiselton, who was in default to the extent of £211 19s. 8d., the Guarantee Society, who were his Sureties, paid the whole amount. In the course of their investigations, your Committee found that there had been considerable laxity on the part of the Officer of the Board in charge of the Rates Department. It formed part of the duty of Mr. Coggin, the Officer in question, to examine and balance, monthly, all the books of the different Collectors, for the purpose of ascertaining that the amounts received were paid in to the Treasurer, in due course. Your Committee, however, regret to have to report that Mr. Coggin so far neglected this duty, in the case of Mr. Thiselton, as to leave his books unexamined for a period of nearly twelve months, and when they were eventually produced, it was found that the defalcations existed. From the explanations sent in by Mr. Coggin to your Committee, it appears that the Rates in question, which were made in default on the Parish of Battersea, were punctually collected, and paid in, and the books made up until a sufficient amount had been collected to cover the Precepts, after which, Mr. Coggin admits that the books were not examined. Your Committee have felt it their duty to reprimand this Officer for his remissness, and in order to ensure a more perfect check, and to prevent the recurrence of similar cases, they have directed that, in future, the rates be posted from the counterfoils instead of from the progressive sheets, and have instructed the Accountant to report, once a month, on the state of the collections, and he will, for the future, be responsible for the due discharge of the duties of the Department. Your Committee, while they deem it unnecessary that any further steps should be taken with regard to Mr. Coggin, have felt it proper to report these facts for the information of your Honorable Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
KENT WATER WORKS COMPANY—		
(1-6523) Supply of Water at Deptford Pumping Station and Penstock Cottage, Deptford, Half Year to Midsummer, 1865	11 0 3	
Carried forward	£11 0 0	

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -	11 0 3	- - -
West Ham Gas Company—			
(1-6524)	Supply of Gas to Lamps on Bridge over Northern Outfall Sewer at Stratford - - -	5 5 0	
Sundry Rates and Taxes—			
(1-6525)	For Property taken for Northern Outfall Works -	12 1 3	
Hill and Keddell, Contractors—			
(1-6526)	Amount of Contract for Painting at Office, Spring Gardens, August, 1865 - - -	75 0 0	
Mabley, J.—			
(1-6527)	Bill for Framing Drawings, &c., October, 1865 -	18 0 0	
Weekly Wages—			
(1-6528)	Week ending 4th October, 1865 - £121 5 7 ,, 11th ,, - 122 2 0	243 7 7	
Officers' Salaries, Quarter ending Christmas, 1865—			
(1-6529)	First Monthly Advance on account - -	695 0 2	
Income Tax Commissioners—			
(1-6530)	Income Tax deducted from Interest on Loans and Annuities paid by the Board, year ending 5th April, 1865 - - - - -	885 18 8	
Adie, P.—			
(1-6531)	Bill for Repairs to Surveying Instruments, &c., January to September, 1865 - - - -	126 2 4	
McDougall, J., Surveyor—			
(1-6532)	Bill for Travelling and other Expenses for self and chainman in taking Levels, and setting out Work on Main Drainage, Thames Embankment, &c., September, 1865 - - - -	5 1 8	
Thirst, E., Contractor—			
(1-6533)	2nd Instalment for Contract Works, Covering, Deepening, and Re-constructing Ranelagh Sewer and Branch (No. 39) - - - -	2,000 0 0	
Hill and Keddell, Contractors—			
(1-6534)	2nd Instalment for Contract Works, Diversion of Woolwich Sewers (No. 42) - - -	900 0 0	
Smith, J., and Co., Contractors—			
(1-6535)	Bill for Stationery, Binding, &c., Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - - -	232 0 6	
Wadeson, C. A.—			
(1-6536)	Bill for Mounting Plans, &c., July to September, 1865	3 10 9	
Stanford, E.—			
(1-6537)	Bill for Maps, January to September, 1865 - -	6 11 6	
Bowen, J.—			
(1-6538)	Bill for sundry Articles for use of Housekeeper, June to September, 1865 - - - -	6 4 6	
Boggis, G. E., Housekeeper—			
(1-6539)	Bill for Assistance in Cleaning Offices, &c., Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - -	9 13 7	
	Carried forward -	£5,234 17 9	- - -

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -	5,234 17 9	- - -
PHINN, T.—			
(1-6540)	Counsel's Fees, *re* Whitechapel and Holborn Improvements, Edgware, Highgate, and London Railway, and Hornsey and Kingsland Railway - -	322 7 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—			
(1-6541)	On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 £1,000 0 0		
(1-6542)	On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 1,500 0 0		
		2,500 0 0	
			8,057 4 9
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
GOTTO, J., Bailiff—			
(3-316)	Commission on Rents collected by him, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - - -	- -	8 0 6
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
(8-1900)	Further on account of Contract Works, Northern Low Level Sewer (No. 23) - - -	11,250 0 0	
OAKLEY, J.—			
(8-1901)	Professional Charges to Lady-day, 1865—		
	Northern Outfall Works - - £30 19 6		
	Western Sewers - - - 46 4 0		
	Northern Middle Level Sewer - 19 19 0		
		97 2 6	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1902)	Week ending 4th October, 1865 - 87 15 0		
	,, 11th ,, - - 79 11 4		
		167 6 4	
WADESON, C. A.—			
(8-1903)	Bill for Mounting Plans, &c., August and September, 1865 - - - - -	97 18 9	
MOXON, W., Contractor—			
(8-1904)	Balance of Bill for Contract Works, Western Sewers Extension, to 1st September, 1865 - -	587 9 5	
			12,199 17 0
	Thames Embankment (North).		
RITSON, A. W. & Co., Contractors—			
(9-694)	Further on account of Contract No. 2, including Plant and Materials - - - -	6,806 0 0	
JOBSON, J., Collector—			
(9-695)	Land Tax for Wharf, Cannon-row, one year, due March, 1865 - - - - -	7 5 10	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-696)	Week ending 4th October, 1865 - £36 2 6		
	,, 11th ,, - - 34 7 8		
		70 10 2	
	Carried forward -	£6,883 16 0	£20,265 2 3

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -	6,883 16 0	20,265 2 3
Gotto, J. Bailiff—			
(9-697). Commission on Rents collected by him, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865—			
Thames Embankment, North -	£1 15 10		
New Street to Mansion House -	10 2 1		
		11 17 11	
Wadeson, C. A.—			
(9-698) Bill for Mounting Plans, &c., July to September, 1865—			
Thames Embankment, North -	£15 10 3		
,, South -	16 4 6		
		31 14 9	
Hughes, E.—			
(9-699) Stamps to Conveyances, New Street to Mansion House, July to October, 1865 - - -		257 5 0	
			7,184 13 8
	Total -	-	£ 27,449 15 11

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
ED. COLLINSON.
EDWD. R. COOK.
WM. NEWTON.
ROBERT TAYLOR.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £27,449 15s. 11d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sum of £2,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application of the Vestry of Lambeth, for permission to borrow the sum of £6,000, for the execution of certain paving works in the Parish, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of 20 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the conduct of Mr. Coggin, in connection with the late defalcations of Messrs. Boult and Thiselton, Collectors of Rates, be approved and adopted.

6. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
17th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 7th July last, (No. 31), referring it to them to consider and report as to the course to be pursued in order to put in force the powers of the Fire Brigade Act. With the view of enabling them to obtain the information they require, your Committee are of opinion that the first step to be taken should be the appointment of a Superintendent of the new Brigade, with whom they might confer, and from whom they might receive useful and practical suggestions, and assistance in working out the details of the new scheme. Your Committee have had several interviews with Capt. Shaw, the present Superintendent of the London Fire Engine Establishment, and they are of opinion that, looking at his long experience, it would be advisable to appoint him as the Chief Officer of the new Force. With regard to the terms on which the appointment should be made, your Committee find that Capt. Shaw's present Salary is £500 a year, free of Income Tax, and in addition thereto, he has a house, rent free, with coal and gas. Having regard to the fact that his duties, as the head of the new force, would be considerably heavier than they are at present, and that the area would be much more extended, they think that, in case of his appointment, he should receive a salary of £750 a year, with a residence, as at present, and coal and gas. With respect to the Income Tax on his salary, which has heretofore been paid for him, your Honorable Board have in no case paid the Income Tax on the Salaries of any of your Officers, and your Committee think that Capt. Shaw should be in the same position, in this respect, as the other Officers of the Board, and that no distinction should be made in his case. Your Committee would mention the fact, that Capt. Shaw has been accustomed to receive from the Trustees of the British Museum, an annual payment of £50, for an occasional visit to their establishment, and a quarterly inspection of their hose and gear, to see that it is in a proper condition for use. These inspections only occupy about two hours each time. Your Honorable Board, as a rule, object to your Officers receiving payments from any other sources than from this Office; but, inasmuch as Captain Shaw has been in receipt of this sum ever since his appointment to his present office, and the duties in connexion therewith occupy but very little time, and would not interfere with his ordinary duties, your Committee are of opinion that he should be allowed to continue to receive the same. They have ascertained from Captain Shaw, that he is willing to accept Office under your Honorable Board on these conditions. In the opinion of your Committee, it would be more convenient if a small number of their body were appointed to confer with Capt. Shaw, as to the details of the scheme, and to report the result of their inquiries to your Committee. They therefore recommend—

That Capt. Shaw be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as Superintendent of the Fire Brigade, at a Salary of £750 a year, with residence as at present, and coal and gas.

That the subject of the Brigade be referred back to the Committee, with power to appoint a Sub-Committee, to procure information, confer with Capt. Shaw, and investigate details, and to report to the Main Drainage Committee thereon.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB^{T} FREEMAN.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That Capt. Shaw be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, as Chief Officer of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, at a Salary of £750 a year, with residence, as at present, and coal and gas, such appointment to date, and the salary to commence, from the 1st January, now next.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That the subject of the Brigade be referred back to the Committee, with power to appoint a Sub-committee, to consist of not less than nine Members of the Board, to procure information, confer with Capt. Shaw, and investigate details, and to report to the Main Drainage Committee thereon, and that the Main Drainage Committee do report their recommendations to this Board, for its consideration and approval.

7. Resolved—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place at the rising of the Special Board, appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **20th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Joseph Moreland, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq,	John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	James Pew, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.	Edward Shepherd, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq,	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
	Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens,
17th, October, 1865.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 20th day of October, 1865, at One o'Clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

To consider Motions, notice of which has been given—

By Mr. Clark, on the 16th instant—

1. To rescind the following Order of the Board of the 17th February, 1865, (No. 6), viz.—
"That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in "the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Ann-street, in the Hamlet of Mile "End Old Town, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown "by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked B, in lieu of the existing numbers, "as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with "41, being assigned to the houses on the North West side, and the even numbers, "commencing with 2 and ending with 46, to those on the South East side; that "such numbers do commence at the end nearest West-street; that the existing num-"bers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Ann-street, and that "notice be given to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, pursuant to the 87th Section "of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order," and that in lieu thereof it be Ordered—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Ann-street, in the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked B, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the North West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 46, to those on the South East side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest West-street; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Ann-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

2. To rescind the following Order of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 12), viz.—
"That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises "in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Dean-street and Cross-street, in "the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the "numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked A, in lieu of "the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with "1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even "numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 60, to those on the West side; that "such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Cross-street, and "any other name or names now in use in Dean-street and Cross-street, and the "existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-"street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to "the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this "Order," and that in lieu thereof it be Ordered—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Dean-street and Cross-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked A, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 62, to those on the West side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Cross-street, and any other name or names now in use in Dean-street and Cross-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. The Clerk reported that, in preparing the Plans upon which the Orders of the Board of the 17th February, 1865, (No. 6), and 4th August last, (No. 12), for the re-

numbering, &c., of Ann-street, Mile End Old Town, and Dean and Cross-streets, St. George's-in-the East, were founded, an error had been inadvertently made, by omitting, in each case, one of the houses, and it therefore became necessary to rescind the Orders in question, and to substitute others, so as to include the numbers of the houses referred to, and it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

It being made to appear to the Board that the Order of the 17th February, 1865, (No. 6), in relation to the re-numbering of Ann-street, Mile End Old Town, was made under a misapprehension, and that it is necessary the same should be rescinded—

It is **ordered** and **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Order of the Board of the 17th February, 1865, (No. 6), directing that the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Ann-street, in the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the County of Middlesex, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Ann-street, be rescinded.

It was then **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Legg—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare, known by the name of Ann Street, in the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **B**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1, and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the North West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 46, to those on the South East side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest West-street; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Ann-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

It being made to appear to the Board that the Order of the 4th August, 1865, (No. 12), in relation to the re-numbering, &c., of Dean-street and Cross-street, St. George-in-the-East, was made under a misapprehension, and that it is necessary the same should be rescinded—

It is **ordered** and **resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the Order of the Board of the 4th August, 1865, (No. 12), directing that the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare, known by the names of Dean-street and Cross-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-street, be rescinded.

It was then **resolved** and **ordered**, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Dean-street and Cross-street, in the Parish of St. George-in-the-East, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **A**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 43, being assigned to the houses on the East side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 62, to those on the West side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the name Cross-street, and any other name or names now in use in Dean-street and Cross-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the

whole line of thoroughfare be called Dean-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. George in-the-East, pursuant to the 87th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

At a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, the Clerk laid before the Board copies of the foregoing Orders, and of the Plans referred to therein, respectively.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **20th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	James Pew, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.	Guilford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	
	William Newton, Esq.	

1. Mr. Collinson brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Thames Embankment Committee,

Spring Gardens,
18th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Report by your Engineer upon the Plans submitted by Mr. Fowler, for the construction of the Metropolitan District Railway, from the Temple to Blackfriars Bridge, referred by your Honorable Board on the 29th September last, (No. 20). Your Committee have given very careful attention to this subject, and have conferred with your Solicitor upon the legal bearings of the same. They fear that, if the Plans submitted by the Railway Company were approved by your Honorable Board, complications and difficulties might possibly arise; and, having regard to the great delay which has already taken place, your Committee feel that the works of the Embankment should no longer be retarded, and that immediate steps should be taken, with a view to their being carried out simultaneously with the other portions of the Embankment works. Under all the circumstances, your Committee

consider that the only course which your Honorable Board can adopt, is, to construct the Embankment in accordance with the Plans sanctioned by Parliament, and they accordingly recommend—

That the Engineer be instructed to prepare the Plans and Specifications for the Thames Embankment, North, (Contract No. 3), in accordance with the Plans sanctioned by Parliament, with a view to issuing Advertisements for Tenders, for the execution of the works.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the Report by the Engineer, suggesting a slight modification in the line of the Thames Embankment, South, referred by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 22.) It appears that the proposed amended line will do away with two slight curves, whereby a straight line for a length of about 1,600 feet will be formed; that it will improve the line of frontage for St. Thomas's Hospital, and will maintain about the same quantity of land required for that building, and further, that it will obviate the necessity of the Embankment-wall being projected in front of the Eastern abutment of Westminster Bridge. Your Committee have ascertained from your Engineer that Mr. Leach, the Engineer to the Thames Conservators, and Mr. Currey, the Architect of St. Thomas's Hospital, both concur in the desirability of the proposed modification, but it will be necessary that the formal consent of those two bodies should be obtained to the same. Your Committee are not aware that it is necessary to obtain the consent of the Board of Trade to the modification in question, but they have instructed the Solicitor to advise your Honorable Board upon this point. Your Committee have had before them a Plan of the proposed modification in the frontage line, which they now beg to submit for the approval of your Honorable Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed.) J THWAITES.
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Engineer be instructed to prepare the Plans and Specification for the Thames Embankment, North, (Contract No. 3,) in accordance with the Plans sanctioned by Parliament, with a view to issuing Advertisements for Tenders, for the execution of the works.

Read a Report, prepared pursuant to the instructions of the Thames Embankment Committee, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.
October 19th, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, SOUTH.

I have been instructed this day to consider a Report of the Engineer, dated the 17th instant, and to advise if the consent of the Board of Trade to the alteration of the line of Embankment is requisite.

By the Act, the Board is to make the Embankment in the situation and lines shown on the Plans, and this Act probably would not permit any alteration of the line, but for the 5th Section, which enables the Board to carry the line of the Embankment further into the stream by 15 feet, or more, perhaps, with the consent of the Conservators; but I do not anywhere see that the consent of the Board of Trade is made necessary to any works, or extension of the works, if they are necessarily

done in the execution of the Act. It might be prudent to submit the Amendment to the Board of Trade, as getting rid of any question hereafter as to the necessity of the works. If any accident occurred, some such question might be raised, and the Board would, I think, do well to be armed, if possible, with the approval of the Board of Trade, now substituted for the Admiralty in these matters, under the 25 and 26 Vic., c. 69. The consent of the Board of Trade would, I think, in no way legalize or assist the Board, as regards any extension of the Embankment not expressly authorized, but as regards Section 11 of the Thames Embankment, South, it would seem hardly prudent to make the alteration, without obtaining the consent of the Board of Trade.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Plan of the proposed modification in the frontage line of the Southern Embankment, now submitted, be approved, subject to the consent of the Thames Conservators, the Governors of St. Thomas's Hospital, the Board of Trade, and of the Contractor and his Sureties, being obtained.

2. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th October, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards, viz.—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
LIMEHOUSE.				
Walker-street, Thomas-street, Limehouse	199	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
HACKNEY.				
New Road between Bouverie-road and Lordship-road, Stoke Newington	770	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
PLUMSTEAD.				
Ravensbourne and Lee-green Sewer Extension, Eltham	4,705	2′6″×1′8″	½ brick	The same as applied for.
BERMONDSEY.				
Camilla-road, Beatrice-road, and Fort-road, Blue Anchor-road	1,700	15 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
Between Anchor-lane and South Eastern Railway	253	12 inch	pipe	
GREENWICH.				
Randal-place, &c.	100	15 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
Roan-street	530	12 inch	,,	
ST. PANCRAS.				
Queen's-road, Langford-road, Hanover-street, and Evelyn-street, Kentish Town	about 1,940	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

3. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, stating that, inasmuch as the Main Sewer through the Greenwich Hospital grounds had been completed, it became desirable that the drainage of the Hospital, which at present flows into the Thames, should be diverted therefrom and connected with the new sewer, with the least possible delay, and recommending that a communication be addressed to the Commissioners, drawing their attention to the matter, and requesting that they will give the requisite instructions for the work to be carried out forthwith.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Richardson—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Commissioners of Greenwich Hospital, accordingly.

4. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, on a letter from the Engineer of the Thames Conservators, complaining of the discharge of mud into the river from a coffer-dam, in connection with the Thames Embankment works, (Contract No. 1); stating that he had caused an inquiry to be made into the matter, and found that some men, in loading a barge off Cannon-row with mud, taken out of the caissons, threw the mud that splashed on to the gunwale into the river, instead of into the body of the barge; that the men were detected in doing this, and were taken by the River Police before a Magistrate, who fined them each 2s. 6d. for the offence, and that other than this, he did not find there had been any discharge of mud from the coffer-dams into the river.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to the Engineer of the Thames Conservators.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, on a letter from the Fulham District Board of Works, requesting that the sump in connection with the sewerage works at Walham-green, might, upon the completion of those works, be converted into a well for the supply of water to a public pump, stating that the sump in question was one sunk by Mr. Thirst, for the purpose of the connecting works with the Western Sewer, at Walham-green; that it was, in his (the Engineer's) judgment, in too close proximity to the sewer to permit its being used hereafter, as a well, for the supply of water intended for the general use of the inhabitants, &c., and recommending that the District Board be informed that, for that reason, this Board feel that they can not comply with their request.

It was **moved** by Mr. Lammin, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. H. W. Keys, complaining, with regard to the damage to his houses in Dove-place, Hammersmith, by the execution of the Western Sewerage Works, that although the wall of the corner house had been rebuilt, Mr. Moxon had not done certain other works, alleged by the complainant to be necessary; stating that the claim, if any, was wholly one for which Mr. Moxon was liable.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Keys be informed that the Contractor alone is liable for any claim in respect of the damage referred to.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, on a Memorial from Residents in South Penge-park and its vicinity, calling attention to an offensive open sewer in that locality; stating that the sewer in question was under the jurisdiction of the Lewisham District Board of Works, and that they had approved of a Plan to

remedy the nuisance complained of, for the carrying out of which the District Board only awaited the sanction of the owner of the land, through which the sewer was to pass.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that a communication in the terms of the Report, be addressed to the Memorialists.

8. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
19th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 18th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	3,370	362
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	3,370	362

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 18th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	95,909	160,720
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	102,773	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 273,669 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

9. The Engineer reported that a communication had been received from the Contractor for the Thames Embankment (Contract No. 1), stating that his works at Hungerford-bridge were seriously delayed, owing to the unsettled state of the question respecting the proposed Steam-boat pier at that point, and that he was desirous of forming a temporary pier on the North side of the bridge, but that, as the last-mentioned work would have the effect of stopping up the only opening through which the Conservators of the River could have access to the foreshore for filling-in, he awaited instructions how to proceed.

It was **moved** by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 18th October, 1865, stating that William Church, the Inspector of Brickwork at the Southern Outfall Works, who received severe injuries from the falling of a plank upon him while engaged in the performance of his duty, and who was in receipt of an allowance of £1 1s. a week, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of 30th June last, (No. 3), died on the 10th instant.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Engineer do make enquiries as to whether the deceased left a widow, or other relatives dependent upon him, and that he do report the result of such enquiries to the Main Drainage Committee.

11. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
19th October, 1865.

On letter from the Surveyor to the Saint Pancras Vestry, with reference to the conversion of the sewer (from the Saint Paul's-road Sewer to the Camden-road Sewer), about to be built by the Midland Railway Company, from a "district" into a "main" Sewer.

Attached to this Report is a sketch showing the locality, and the position of the sewers in question. The blue lines show the Main Sewers under the control of this Board, and the red line shows the sewer about which the Surveyor inquires.

The Midland Railway Company, on the 3rd February last, (No. 12), obtained the sanction of this Board to divert the upper part of the Main line, called the Camden-road Branch of the Fleet Sewer, in the manner shown by the dotted red line between the points A and B. This diversion will of necessity form the outlet for all that part of the main line above the point A; and will be simply a continuation of it along Saint Paul's-road, taking the place of the local Sewer which runs there, down to its junction with the Main line, at the point C. I am, therefore, of opinion that the diversion sewer from A to B, and the existing local sewer from B to C, should be regarded as a Main Sewer, and so declared by this Board, under the powers of the 137th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application of the Vestry of St. Pancras be complied with, and that the necessary form of Order be prepared and submitted to the Board.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th October, 1865, recommending the erection of two small donkey-engines and pumps, for cleansing the pump-wells at the Deptford Pumping Station, at an estimated cost of £200, under the Contract for General Works.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the works therein proposed be executed under the Contract for General Works, the cost thereof being charged to the General Account of the Board.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th October, 1865, on a letter from Col. Sykes, expressing his opinion that the sewerage works about to be constructed in Albion-street, Hyde-park, were not required; stating the necessity that existed for the works, and that directions had been given to expedite them as much as possible.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to Colonel Sykes.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 19th October, 1865, on letters from Mr. C. Franzman, claiming £15, as compensation for alleged damage through the flooding of his premises in Lombard-terrace, Chelsea, caused by alleged inattention to the flap of the house drain, to the effect, that he had had the outlet of the drain examined, and that it appeared the flap did not act properly, but that it was no part of the duty of the Board's Flap-keepers to attend to private drains, or to the flaps attached to them.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that Mr. Franzman be informed that the Board cannot entertain his claim, as it forms no part of the duty of their servants to attend to private drains.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 20th October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. F. Campion, submitting a section of the proposed lowering of the sewer in St. Paul's-road,

Camden Town; stating that it was simply an extension of the Plan sanctioned by the Board on 3rd February last (No. 12), that it would necessitate the taking up and re-constructing of a further length of 100 feet of sewer, 4′ 6″ × 2′ 9″, as shown from A to C on the section, and recommending the sanction of the Board thereto.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the Report be approved, and that the proposed lowering of the sewer in question be sanctioned, on condition that the whole of the works in connection therewith be done under the direction, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

16. Mr. Brooker brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
18th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864 (No. 2), they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in accordance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Towse, (No. 26, Poultry)—				
Purchase-money	(Mr. R. B. Towse)	£10,000	0	0
Ditto	(Mr. T. A. Hankey)	5,000	0	0
Surveyor's Costs,	(Mr. Fred. W. Porter)	90	0	0
Solicitors' Costs,	(Messrs. Druce, Son, and Jackson)	47	3	10
Re Moses, (Nos. 13 and 14, Cannon-street West)—				
Purchase-money	(Mr. Henry Moses)	75,000	0	0
Stamp Duty,	(Mr. W. Harrison)	375	0	0
Surveyor's Fees, one moiety,	(Mr. H. E. Murrell)	250	0	0
Ditto Ditto	(Messrs. Debenham and Tewson)	250	0	0
Solicitors' Costs,	(Messrs. Horsley and Son)	27	11	4
Re Barnes, Nos. 2 and 2A Great Trinity-lane—				
Purchase-money	(Mr. Robert Barnes)	6,000	0	0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. EBENEZER SAUNDERS.
CHAS. HARRIS.
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read,
It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Savage, and
Resolved—That it be received.

17. Read a Report, relative to the non-compliance with the requirements of the Order of the Board of the 6th instant, (No. 18), in covering-over a portion of the Counters Creek Sewer, near the Great Western Railway-bridge, Kensal-green, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
October 20th, 1865.

Re CARTER.

I gave notice to this party, as desired by the Board. By the Report of Mr. Lovick, forwarded

to the Chief Engineer, Mr. Carter has paid no attention to the notice. I know not what course the Board may wish to take, and indeed, on an examination of the Act, it is by no means clear what law applies to it, but I have prepared rather a special form of Summons, under the 78th and 79th Sections of the Act of 1862, and on the whole, perhaps, the better course will be to have the Summons sealed in duplicate, and that one of them at once be served, desiring Mr. Carter to attend the Board next Friday, at one o'clock, to show cause.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Moreland, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Summons in duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

18. The Solicitor reported, with respect to the rebuilding of Saville House, that the District Surveyor had served a notice on the parties, with a view to a summons being issued.

19. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
20th October, 1865.

Dangerous Businesses.

In May last, Mr. J. H. Stevens, Surveyor of the District of Bethnal Green, applied to the Board for instructions, relative to the taking of proceedings for the removal of premises in Old Bethnal Green-road, which are used by Mr. Stokes for the manufacture of Lucifer Matches, and believed to be not in accordance with the Statute. The correspondence with the Secretary of State for the Home Department, and the issuing of the recent Circular to Vestries and District Boards, have occupied the interval.

Probably the Board will wish the Clerk to draw the attention of the District Board to this case.

Another case is that of Mr. George Fuller, who applies to the Board for the formation of new streets, near to a Saltpetre Manufactory recently occupied for that purpose, at White Post-lane, Old Kent-road, Camberwell. If such a manufactory is of a dangerous nature, the proposed streets could not be formed until a clear space be left, or the factory removed.

The Board may probably wish the Clerk to write, and call the attention of the District Board to this case also.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland—That the Report be approved, and that the Clerk do address a communication to the Vestry of Bethnal Green and Camberwell, respectively, calling their attention to the cases referred to.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. T. J. Nelson, City Solicitor, dated 11th October, 1865, enclosing a draft Form of Order, proposed to be made by the Court of Aldermen, relative to the driving of Locomotives through the streets of the City, under the provisions of "The Locomotives Act, 1865."

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Solicitor do prepare and submit to the Board, on Friday next, a form of Order, to be made by them, under the provisions of the same Act, applicable to the area under their jurisdiction.

21. Read a Letter, as follows—

Aërated Bread Company, Limited. 2, Whitecross-street, E.C.
19th October, 1865.

Gentlemen,

The Directors have observed with regret that Dr. Letheby has expressed an opinion that the Chalk refuse, (similar to that of the Soda Water Manufacture) which is discharged from the Company's Works, in Blackman-street, has caused inconvenience in the sewers, by evolving Carbonic Acid Gas. The Directors feel confident that the effect in question cannot have been produced, or not in any sensible degree, by the Company's discharge, once in eight or nine days, of liquid refuse, containing 7 or 8 cwt. of chalk, without any free acid among the volume of sewage and refuse from numerous factories flowing down the Main Sewer.

Immediately, however, on the publication of Dr. Letheby's Report, the Directors placed themselves under the guidance of Dr. Miller, of King's College, and Dr. Odling, of Bartholomew's Hospital, who have inspected the works in Blackman-street, and desire to have leave also to cause the neighbouring sewer to be inspected. I am instructed, therefore, to ask the permission of the Board for an inspection of the sewer, under the superintendence of Dr. Miller and Dr. Odling, and, if agreeable to the Board, under the superintendence of Dr. Letheby also, and the Directors wish me to assure the Board that they will not permit anything to be done at any of their works which can be a source of inconvenience.

I may be permitted to mention, in conclusion, that the use of Chalk for obtaining Carbonic Acid Gas has been superseded in America by the use of Grapes, and that the Company has made arrangements to work the American process upon Sugar.

I have, &c.,

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, &c., &c.

GEORGE DAUGLISH, Secretary.

Resolved—That the request of the Directors of the Company be complied with, and that permission be given for Drs. Miller and Odling to inspect the sewer in question, and that Dr. Letheby be requested to accompany them, on behalf of the Board.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. William Currey, dated 11th October, 1865, acknowledging, on behalf of Sir Joseph Paxton's Executors, the receipt of the notice informing them of the Bonds entered into by Sir Joseph, for the due execution by Mr. Furness of the Contracts for the Northern Outfall Reservoir and the Thames Embankment, (Contract No. 1), and requesting to be informed of the present state of the works under the said Contracts, respectively.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee.

23. Read a Report, by the Solicitor, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 6th instant, (No. 23), on the letter from Mr. J. H. Smith, Clerk to the Committee of Works of the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, relative to the enclosure of a verandah to the house, No. 17, Park-street, Grosvenor-square, contrary to the Order of the Board, in which, among other things, the Solicitor recommended that if it were capable of proof that the offence was discovered within six months, the proper course to pursue would be for the Vestry to lodge a complaint before a Justice, and ask for a Summons against the offender, according to the 75th Section of the 25 and 26, Victoria, cap. 102; by reference to which Section, it would be seen that if the Superintending Architect of this Board give the Certificate there referred to, and the erection be raised without the consent of this Board, or contrary to the terms on which the consent might have been granted, the Summons might then issue, and the Justice make an Order, directing the demolition of any erection, or so much as might be beyond the general line, and order payment of all costs; and if the erection complained of be not removed according to the Order of the Justice, the Vestry was ordered to demolish the erection, and might take steps to recover the expenses, as pointed out by the Section.

Resolved—That a copy of the Solicitor's Report be sent to the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square.

24. Read a Report, by the Solicitor, with reference to the proceedings of Mr. Roycroft, in relation to the formation of a new street, leading out of High-street, Camberwell, and upon which the Superintending Architect was directed by the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, to report to the Solicitor, with a view to legal proceedings being taken against Mr. Roycroft, should there appear to be grounds for so doing, as follows—

Re Roycroft.

I have considered the Report of Mr. Henry Hart, dated 16th October, 1865. I think, looking at all that has occurred, and to the advice formerly given to the Board, that it may be now properly assumed that the party has not infringed the law, and that the Board need not delay the naming the place in question.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that the Superintending Architect do act thereon.

25. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
October 20th, 1865.

Fire Brigade Act.

I was requested yesterday, by the Chairman, to consider and report to the Board as to the mode of issuing Precepts by the Board, for its expenses under the Act, with reference to Sections 19 and 20, where the Precepts have to be issued within that part of the Metropolis which comprehends the City of London.

It seems to me that the course is for this Board to issue a Precept for the expenses, under this Act, to the persons or bodies within the City of London, who ordinarily make the Poor Rates there; taking care to ascertain the value of the rateable property according to the best practical basis, as indicated by the terms of the 19th Section. In fact, that the same course will have to be pursued in the City, as in any other parts of the Metropolis, with reference to addressing the Precepts of the Board, viz., to precisely the same persons or bodies as are now charged with raising the Poor Rates, and these persons and bodies will have equal authority to raise the sums required by this Board under the Fire Brigade Act, as they would a Poor Rate.

In extra-parochial places, where there might be no proper Officer or authority to levy a Poor Rate, the Board may appoint Special persons.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee, for their information, in connection with the issuing of the Precepts.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board a notice from Mr. J. C. Walton, dated 16th October, 1865, to the effect that he had appointed Mr. Samuel Noble, as Arbitrator on his behalf, to determine the amount of compensation to be paid to him for alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, by the execution of sewerage works. The Solicitor stated that he would communicate with the Contractor, and report further to the Board next Friday.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Willesmere, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses near the corner of Ranwell-street, in Old Ford-road, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, stating that Ranwell-street, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on 5th February, 1864, (No. 42), had been made 23 feet wide, instead of 24 feet, as required by the Order of the Board, and that the condition requiring it to be flagged for a width of 12 feet down the centre, had not been complied with.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted, and that the Solicitor do address a letter to the applicant, calling attention to the fact that the conditions contained in the Order of the Board have not been complied with.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Bush, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building adjoining his shops, in the High-road, Lee, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. Timewell, on behalf of Mr. Honess, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house in the Canterbury-road, Brixton, next to the "Canterbury Arms" public house, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be not granted.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Ellis, on behalf of Col. West, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a colonnade to the principal entrance to the Surrey Theatre, in the Blackfriars-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be limited in height to the ground story, and remain unenclosed, except by iron gates, and that in other respects it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. R. Caulcutt, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 57, Chapel-street, Pentonville, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground in front of the proposed shop be added to the public footway, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan acccompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John E. Oliver, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two shops in front of the house, No. 31, Queen's-road, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed shops do not project beyond a line drawn from the front of the shop at No. 29, to the front of the shop at No. 33; that they do not exceed in height the shops adjoining; that the ground in front be added to the public way, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. B. Jirmir, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at the

corner of Hind-street and Paris-place, Poplar, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook—That the application be not granted.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Stanley G. Bird, on behalf of the Governors of Queen Charlotte's Hospital, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed portico to the hospital, at the corner of Harcourt-street, Marylebone-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Smith, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-court of the house, No. 74, Southampton-street, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed shops be kept to a line drawn from the nearest corner of the house, No. 64, to the nearest corner of No. 76; that the surplus ground be added to the public way, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the "Royal Hotel," at the corner of Burdett-road and Mile-end-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the surplus ground outside the line of frontage approved by the Board on the 6th October, instant, (No. 6), be added to the public-way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Messrs. Norris, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of an addition to a Tanner's drying-shed at their premises in High-street, Shadwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dixon—That the application be granted, on condition that the substructure be, in the opinion of the District Surveyor, sound and sufficient to allow of the addition being raised upon it.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Hill, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft in Elisha-yard, Old Bethnal Green-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the

proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Cooper, on behalf of Messrs. Duncan and Company, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises, in Old Ford-road, Bow.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Brett, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at his premises, in High-street, Homerton.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Moreland—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Engert and Rolfe, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises, in Barchester-street, Upper North-street, East India-road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. G. Sharpin, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a street with one entrance, at the rear of Rich-terrace, Brompton.

It was moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. T. Mills and Son, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a main street, and two cross streets, between the Mid Kent Railway and the River Ravensbourne, having one entrance from Molesworth-street, Lewisham.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the approach from Molesworth-street be widened to 20 feet.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Brooks, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three streets, in continuation of Athol and Blair streets, and of another street leading from the Barking-road, at St. Leonard's, Bromley.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. H. Wootten, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan for the widening of an old road known as Upper Farm-lane, Walham-green.

It was moved by Mr. Dixon, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 16th October, 1865, on the

application of Mr. H. W. Martin, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the continuation of Tooting-grove, Tooting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Fuller, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of roads upon land leading out of White Post-lane, Old Kent-road, of the respective widths of 30 and 18 feet, and for the widening of the latter thoroughfare.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Dixon, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Brundell, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new street of the width of 20 feet, showing only one entrance, at the rear of Wellington-road, Lambeth.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dixon—That the application be not granted.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Berriman, on behalf of Mr. Purkis, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of three roads, southward of Peckham High-road, Camberwell, and of the names of "Wilson-road," "Florence-road," and "Grace's-road," for the same, and for the formation of a short cross road between the two latter roads.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Pew—That so much of the application as relates to the widths of the proposed roads, and to the names, "Wilson Road" and "Grace's Road," be granted, but that so much as relates to the name, "Florence Road," be not granted, and that the applicant be requested to submit another name, not at present in use in the Metropolis, in lieu thereof.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Bassett, for the approval by the Board, of the name "Ashdown-street," for a new street at Kentish Town, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 30th June last, (No. 51).

Resolved—That the said name be approved.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Carter, for the approval by the Board of the name "Spanish-road," for a new street at East-hill, Wandsworth, opposite the Fishmongers' Almshouses.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr Legg—That the said name be approved.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Parbury, for the incorporation of Connaught-place, West, Hyde-park, with Connaught-place.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Carter, for the re-numbering of Westbourne-grove, West.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Moreland—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and Report.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Joseph Daw, on behalf of the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of

London, for the appointment of Fees to District Surveyors, in respect of special services performed by them in connection with dangerous structures within the City of London.

Resolved and ordered—That the fees, amounting to the several sums specified in the accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered respectively 1 to 39, inclusive, be paid to Mr. John Young, and Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson respectively, the District Surveyors mentioned in such accounts in respect of services performed by them in surveying dangerous structures within the City of London.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 19th October, 1865, on the letter of Mr. James Knight, on behalf of the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, calling attention to the enclosure of the space in the centre of Trafalgar-square, White Horse-lane, by which the width of the street round the square would be made less than 40 feet.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That a penal notice be served on the owner, under the Statute of 1862, requiring him to desist from the alleged encroachment.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th October, 1865, on letters received from Mr. R. Dickins, on behalf of Mr. Rolls, and from Mr. G. H. Drew, on behalf of the Vestry of Bermondsey, representing the injury that would arise to the locality by the erection of a public-house at the corner of Rouel-road and Spa-road, Bermondsey, in advance of certain houses on the opposite side of Rouel-road, the Plan for which was approved by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 9), and requesting a re-consideration of the Board's decision.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

57. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from Mr. Charles Fry, Assistant Clerk, Solicitor's Department, dated 17th October, 1865, requesting promotion to the First Class of Officers.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the general reference on the subject of the classification of the subordinate Officers of the Board.

58. The Clerk laid before the Board, a letter from Mr. W. E. Greenwell, Vestry Clerk, St. Marylebone, dated 20th October, 1865, forwarding a Memorial from Mr. James Bridge, Fire Engine Keeper, praying the Vestry to intercede with this Board on his behalf, with a view to his obtaining a similar appointment in the new Fire Brigade, and recommending the application to the favorable consideration of the Board.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration in connection with the former references on the same subject.

59. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. P. J. Llewellyn, dated 19th October, 1865, applying for remuneration for medical attendance on the three men, who were overcome by foul air in the Main Sewer, in Blackman-street, Borough, on the 14th September last.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

60. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. E. H. Thiselton, lately employed as Collector of Rates in the Parish of Battersea, dated 19th October, 1865, applying for additional remuneration for collecting the Battersea Main Drainage Rate, in consideration of the lengthened period over which the collection was extended.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

61. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. Brooks, Vestry Clerk, St. Mary, Stratford, Bow, dated 19th October, 1865, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry of that Parish, calling attention to the state of the River Lee during the past summer, and praying the Board to adopt some means to prevent the river from becoming so offensive in future.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the reference, this day, of the Memorial from the Poplar District Board, on the same subject.

62. The following **Notice of Motion** was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Saunders, (No. 255)—As to alterations and improvements in the premises of the Board.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 27th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock, at noon.

No. 38.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **27th** day of **October**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—HENRY LOWMAN TAYLOR, Esq., in the Chair.

WILLIAM NEWTON, ESQ.	WILLIAM TITE, ESQ., M.P.	WILLIAM HENRY LAMMIN, ESQ.
FRANCIS HEALEY, ESQ.	TAVERNER JOHN MILLER, ESQ., M.P.	EDWARD COLLINSON, ESQ.
SILAS TAYLOR, ESQ.	WILLIAM CLARK, ESQ.	JOHN ORDE HALL, ESQ.
EDWARD SHEPHERD, ESQ.	JOHN JOSEPH TANNER, ESQ.	JAMES BROOKER, ESQ.
PHILIP HEMERY LE BRETON, ESQ.	GUILDFORD BARKER RICHARDSON, ESQ.	BENJAMIN LUCAS JUDKINS, ESQ.
CHARLES HARRIS, ESQ.		WILLIAM CARPMAEL, ESQ.
JOHN SAMUEL PHILLIPS, ESQ.		

1. It was moved by Mr. Healey, seconded by Mr. Tite, M.P., and

Resolved—That Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor be requested to take the Chair, in the absence of Sir John Thwaites; and Mr. Taylor took the Chair accordingly.

2. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 20th October instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman, and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings, respectively.

3. It was moved by Mr. Tite, M.P., seconded by Mr. Miller, M.P., and

Resolved, *unanimously*—"That this Board feels called upon to record its sense of the "great loss this Country has sustained in the death of its Prime Minister, the Right "Honorable Viscount Palmerston—a man who, through the course of a long life devoted "to the service of the Country, has always maintained the honor of Great Britain, its "prosperity, and its institutions; and during whose adminstration, the Country has been "successfully conducted through great difficulties, and the blessings of Peace secured to "the nation."

It was moved by Mr. Tite, M.P., seconded by Mr. Miller, M.P., and

Resolved, *unanimously*—"That a copy of the above Resolution be communicated to Lady "Palmerston, with the respectful assurance of the condolence of this Board, and its deep "sympathy in her irreparable loss."

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Tite, M.P.—That the foregoing Resolutions be inserted in the daily newspapers circulating in the Metropolis.

4. The Solicitor reported that, pursuant to the Order of the Board of Friday last, (No. 17), the Summons was served on Mr. Carter, requiring his attendance at the Board this day, for irregular proceedings, in connection with the covering over of a portion of the open Counters Creek Sewer, at Kensal Green; and that, subsequently, Mr. Carter had called at the Office, and handed a letter to him, as follows—

W. Wyke Smith, Esq.

Sir,

To your letter of the 13th I could not reply, until I had seen the different owners of the property to which your letter applied, as well as to myself.

First—As regards the quality of the work. When I first saw it, (when only), the part then uncovered with earth was in Cowley stocks and Portland cement, and, therefore, I gave it a better character than it deserved. And on a more minute inspection, I found it, *as stated by the Board.*

I have now authority to pray, in the name of the four proprietors of the houses surrounding the Counters Creek, that the Board will allow them to clear the sewer of all they have placed upon it, and proceed at once with Cowley stocks and best Portland cement, both for the Arch and the Concrete. Also, they say, that their joy, (if I may use the term), was so great when they heard of the Board's assent, that they commenced in the hasty manner they did, to prevent their tenants leaving the houses, which they had declared they would, if the sewer was not directly covered in. I pray you will state that I was no party, or adviser, as to even commencing, until I had the Board's assent, and that I was perfectly surprised, when I saw what they had done.

And to my question, *Why did you commence?* The Inspector had informed them that the Board would allow them to *arch it in* with 4½in. arch, and Portland cement, with concrete in the haunches. Also, pray remember, that it is now nearly two years since they first sought the permission to cover the Creek Sewer; and that their loss, as to the value of their property is very great, and that their tenants will leave unless the sewer is covered in.

I am, &c.,

(For the Proprietors, viz.—Jno. Sibthorp, T. South, C. Hodson, and I. Handover),

103, Ledbury-road, Paddington, (Signed) JAMES CARTER.

20th October, 1865.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Tite, M.P., and

Resolved—That the proceedings against Mr. Carter be suspended; that the said letter be referred to the Engineer, and that he do report compliance, or otherwise, by Mr. Carter with the requirements of the Board.

5. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Instrument of Appointment, in duplicate, of Mr. Buckland, as Arbitrator on behalf of the Board, in respect of the claim of Mr. Walton, for compensation for alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, by the execution of sewerage works.

Resolved—That the Chairman of the Board be requested and authorized to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Instrument of Appointment, and duplicate.

6. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Wright, dated 24th October, 1865, complaining of the water supply to a field belonging to himself, and Mr. Polard, at East Greenwich, which had been cut off by the Main Drainage works, but subsequently restored, being again suspended. The Solicitor reported that he had forwarded a copy of the letter to the Engineer.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, on the application of the Vestry of Hampstead, for permission to construct about 710 feet of 3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″ sewer, 1 brick thick, and 650 feet

of 3′ 6″ × 2′ 3″ sewer, 1 brick thick, in Finchley-road and West End-avenue, late West End-lane, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th October, 1865, on a letter from the Equitable Gas Light Company, offering to purchase a portion of the Board's land, near Grosvenor-canal, Pimlico, stating that the land in question is that purchased by the Board for the purposes of the intended Pumping Station, and recommending, as the Plans of that work were not yet sufficiently matured to enable the Board to judge of their ultimate requirements with respect to the land, that the Company be informed that, for this reason, the Board are not, at present, prepared to entertain their offer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the Report be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Equitable Gas Light Company accordingly.

9. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
26th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 25th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	1,752	...
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	1,752	...

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 25th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	97,661	160,720
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	104,525	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 275,421 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

10. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
26th October, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.—ACCIDENT.

I regret to report that one of the workmen employed upon the No. 1 Section of the works, near Waterloo-bridge, was drowned on the 21st instant. It appears that he, with three others, was in a small boat, and whilst in the act of lifting one of the anchors attached to a pile-driving barge, the boat capsized and threw all the four men into the water. Three of them were saved, but the body of the fourth has not yet been recovered.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 26th October, 1865, recommending the execution of the following works under the Contracts for General Works, viz.—

	Estimate.
Cleansing out Dock at Old Ford, adjoining the Northern Outfall Sewer and the River Lee, and constructing about 200 feet of Timber Wharfing - - - - - - - - - - -	£225 0 0
Constructing one new Side Entrance in Victoria-street, near Ashley-place - - - - - - - - - - -	50 0 0
Constructing one new Side Entrance in Horseferry-road, near the St. Margaret and St. John's School - - - - - -	43 0 0
	£318 0 0

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said works be executed accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Current Account of the Board.

2. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 27th October, 1865, on the application of the Board of Works for the Whitechapel District, for permission to stop up Leman-row, Leman-street, Whitechapel, for a period of six weeks, for the purpose of rebuilding certain premises therein, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the said District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 23rd October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. Parsons, respecting the Bridges in course of erection over the Battersea-road, for the purpose of carrying the Brighton Railway over that road; stating that the design submitted by Sir Charles Fox and Son was for a span of forty feet, the then width of the road; that, as Mr. Parsons' houses were set back on the South side of the road, so as to make the width between the frontage of his houses and the fence on the opposite side of the road, fifty-one feet, the Railway Company were required, by the Order of the Board of the 3rd March last, (No. 29,) to set back the abutment to the line of frontage, and increase the span to the full width of the road, and that the Board had no power to compel any further alteration, the Company being bound simply so to construct their bridge, as not to lessen the present clear width of the road and footway.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon, be addressed to Mr. Parsons.

14. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th October, 1865, relative to the width of Ranwell-street, Bow, which had been made only 23 feet wide, instead of 24 feet, as required by the Order of the Board of the 5th February, 1864, (No. 42).

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

15. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the amended application of Mr. John G. Turner, on behalf of Mr. Charles King, for the consent of the

Board to the erection of a coach-house and stable, in the garden at the rear of the house No. 1, Park-terrace, Highbury, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the application be not granted.

16. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for a modification of the Order of the Board of the 6th October, instant, (No. 6), in relation to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 119, Mile End-road, by the omission of the requirement that the private entrance proposed to be formed next to No. 121, should be kept back flush with the present wall of the house.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the application be granted, and that the Order of the Board of the 6th October, inst., (No. 6), be so far varied as to admit of such modification.

17. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Grummant, jun., for the consent of the Board to the erection of bow-windows to four houses in Gordon-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed bow-windows do not exceed one story above the level of the ground; that, in other respects, they be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

18. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a two storied bow-window, at the house, No. 71, Jermyn-street, St. James's, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Tanner—That the application be not granted.

19. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Hannah, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of "Craven House," Church-street, Chelsea, two stories in height, and of a covered way, or entrance, to extend to the footway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

20. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Lungley, on behalf of the Millwall Iron Works and Ship Building, &c., Company, for the approval by the Board of the construction and materials of a joiner's shop, at the Company's Works, Millwall, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the ironwork be put together and fixed under the supervision, and to the satisfaction, of the District Surveyor.

21. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Emerson, for the approval by the Board of the construction and materials of a projecting water closet, at No. 81, Aldersgate-street, City, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Tanner—That the application be not granted.

22. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Johnson, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a summer house in the garden at the rear of the house, No. 47, Almorah-road, Southgate-road, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the matter be left to the discretion of the District Surveyor.

23. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Francis Hedges, on behalf of Messrs. Palmer and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises at Old Ford.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

24. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Woodward, on behalf of Mr. James Brewster, for the approval by the Board of the construction and materials of two open sheds, for sheep-pens, on ground adjoining the Cattle Market, in the Caledonian-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Frederick Hering, on behalf of Messrs. Swan and Edgar, for the approval by the Board of the formation of openings through the party-wall, between Nos. 51 and 53, Quadrant, Regent-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, the District Surveyor having objected to the size of the proposed openings.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the applicant be informed that the Board have no power to grant the application, and that the District Surveyor be also informed to the like effect.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd October, 1865, stating that, during the months of August and September, the sum of £8 was received in respect of Fees, on applications for the approval of Special Buildings, under Section 56 of the Building Act, and that the amount had been paid to the Treasurer of the Board.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 25th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edwin Hockley, for the approval by the Board of an amended Plan of an approach to a house at Rushey-green, Lewisham, the entrance thereto being less than 20 feet in width.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. F. Jebb, on behalf of the Westminster District Board of Works, for the re-numbering of the houses in Johnson-street, Westminster.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. Colthrup, for the abolition of the subsidiary names, and the re-numbering of the houses in Wells-street, Camberwell.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 26th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Sheldon, requesting that Edmund-terrace, Somerset-road, might be re-named Edmund-terrace, Cornwall-road, and also requesting that a name might be given to a new street in continuation of Kensington-park-road, Notting-hill.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Turner, Surveyor of the Eastern District of Islington, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for special services performed by him in certifying as to the removal of chimney-breasts from the party-walls on the South side of the houses, Nos. 8 and 9, Wycombe-terrace, Hornsey-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Tanner—That the District Surveyor be authorized to demand and receive a fee of 10s. in each case, in respect of the services referred to.

32. Read a communication from Mr. A. J. Hiscocks, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of Wandsworth and Tooting, dated 16th October, 1865, notifying that a building on Tooting-common was about to be erected under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. A. J. Hiscocks, Surveyor of the District of Wandsworth and Tooting, did, on the 16th day of October, 1865, give notice to this Board, that he, the said Alfred James Hiscocks, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the erection of a building on Tooting-common, within the District aforesaid; and the said A. J. Hiscocks has been, since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid: Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by this Board—That Mr. John Mullins, Surveyor of the District of Streatham and Brixton, be appointed by this Board, and the said John Mullins is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 10th October, 1865, on a letter from Mr. John Thomas, relative to the open spaces or yards at the rear of certain houses in Cranmer-road, Brixton, as to the sufficiency of which the District Surveyor had objected, but adjoining which there was a passage, or right of way, eight feet wide.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Tanner—That the applicant be informed that the Board consider the provision made for light and ventilation sufficient, under the circumstances.

34. Read a letter, as follows—

London Fire Engine Establishment, 68, Watling-street, E.C.,
21st October, 1865.

Sir,

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this date, informing me that the Metropolitan Board of Works have appointed me Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, from the 1st of January next. I beg to say that I accept the appointment on the terms named in your letter, and that I shall endeavour, as far as lies in my power, to conduct the business entrusted to my charge in such a manner as to merit the approbation of the Board.

I have, &c.,

J. Pollard, Esq., (Signed) EYRE M. SHAW,
Metropolitan Board of Works. Superintendent L. F. E. E.

35. Read a letter from Capt. Burstal, Secretary, Thames Conservancy, dated 21st October, 1865, forwarding Accounts amounting, with outstanding Accounts, to £5,400 16s. 7d., for filling-in materials supplied for the Thames Embankment, and lighterage, to the 23rd September last.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That the said Accounts be referred to the Engineer for examination, and that the same, together with any subsequent accounts which may be received, be laid before the Finance Committee, with a view to their being liquidated.

36. It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the Board do now adjourn.

Adjourned until Friday, the 3rd November next, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 39.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **3rd** day of **November**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

George Peckett, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
William Tite, Esq., M.P.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 27th October last were approved, and signed by the Chairman, and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Vestries of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, and St. Luke, Old-street, accompanied by Ratepayers of the City, and Islington, introduced by Mr. Shepherd, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial in favour of a direct carriage route into the City from the Essex (formerly Lower) Road, Islington, and proceeding along Packington-street, Shepherdess-walk, Bath-street, Bunhill-row, Type-street, and Moor-lane, into Fore-street, City, and praying the Board to take steps for carrying out the proposed route, forthwith, at the expense of the Metropolis generally. The Deputation consisted of the under-mentioned gentlemen, viz.—Mr. Alderman Lusk, M.P.; Mr. Torrens, M.P.; Mr. Woodthorpe; Mr. Death, Vice-Chairman, Shoreditch; Mr. Dodd, Shoreditch;

Mr. W. W. King, Vestryman, St. Luke's; Mr. Warren, Shoreditch, Vestryman; Mr. W. Brittain, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Mr. J. H. Adams, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Dr. Baker, Shoreditch, Vestryman; Mr. E. T. Chown, Shoreditch, Ratepayer; Mr. A. Day, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Capt. Taylor, Churchwarden of Shoreditch; Mr. Hanson, Shoreditch, Vestryman; Mr. G. E. P. King, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Mr. Marchant, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Mr. Excell, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Mr. Funnell, St. Luke's, Vestryman; Mr. Bridgeland, St. Luke's, Ratepayer; Mr. Horton, Islington, Vestryman; Mr. Antell, Shoreditch, Ratepayer; Mr. T. E. Nobbs, Shoreditch, Ratepayer; Mr. Howes, Churchwarden, Shoreditch; Mr. Stevens, Shoreditch; Mr. Heard, Shoreditch; Mr. Bagley, Shoreditch; Mr. Bolton, Shoreditch; Mr. Conquest, Shoreditch; and Mr. Wilson, Churchwarden, St. Luke's.

The Memorial having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

It was **moved** by Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

3. A Deputation, consisting of the under-mentioned gentlemen, from the Court of Directors of the Union Bank of London, introduced by Mr. Savage, attended the Board, and submitted a statement containing reasons for the widening of Mansion House-street, on the South side of that thoroughfare, viz.—Mr. Northall Laurie, Governor; Mr. Farquhar, Deputy Governor; Mr. Scrimgeour, Director; Mr. Philip Charles Hardwick, Architect, and Mr. W. O. Beville, Secretary.

The Statement having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

It was **moved** by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That the said Statement be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; that it be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former reference on the same subject, and that the Deputation from the Union Bank of London be invited to attend the Committee when the question shall be considered; and the Statement is entered accordingly—

Reasons submitted to the Metropolitan Board of Works, by the Directors of the Union Bank of London, for any widening of Mansion House-street being on the South, and not on the North, side of that thoroughfare.

First—The formation of the New Street from Charlotte-row to Blackfriars, renders necessary the removal of several houses on the South side of the Poultry, which have been already purchased for that purpose; and the removal of the remaining houses on that side would effect an important improvement.

Second—The removal of the Portico of the Mansion House from its present position to the Western side, which will front the New Street, would give 13 feet 4 inches of additional roadway, or space for two carriages, and as a large portion of the traffic at that part comes from King William-street along the South side of Mansion House-street, any additional width on that side would relieve the Street where most required.

Third—That this improvement can be effected by the Corporation at a very trifling cost, and without interfering with any private interests.

Fourth—That widening Mansion House-street on the Northern side, would render necessary the demolition of St. Mildred's Church, and yet leave the Poultry in its present contracted width, unless the houses from St. Mildred's Church to the Old Jewry were removed.

Fifth—That the proposed widening on the North side is merely a repetition of that made by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, to the Metropolitan Board of Works, in 1863, and which was abandoned on account, as it is understood, of the enormous expense involved.

Sixth—That the Commissioners of Sewers, on the 5th of January, 1864, informed the Directors of the Union Bank of London that the proposed widening was abandoned; and the Directors relying on such assurance, and that there would not therefore be any necessity for modifying their original Plans, have entered into onerous Contracts for the erection of additional buildings fronting Mansion House-street, have paid considerable sums for compensation, and have already expended several thousand pounds, in foundations and works which have been for several months in course of erection.

Seventh—The Directors of the Union Bank have already informed the Commissioners of Sewers that they cannot suspend the execution of the Contracts into which they have entered, and they will resist (as they are advised they can successfully) any attempt to interrupt the progress of their works.

Eighth—The Directors of the Union Bank submit that the widening of Mansion House-street, on the Southern side, would best meet the public necessity, would be economical, can be effected by the Corporation of London when they please, and would not interfere with any private interests, which, though secondary to public necessity, ought not to be disturbed without adequate cause.

The Directors therefore express their hope that the Metropolitan Board of Works will not concur in the proposition submitted to them by the Commissioners of Sewers.

For the Union Bank of London,

(Signed) W. O. BEVILLE,

Secretary.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That application be made for copies of the Report by Mr. Haywood, Engineer and Surveyor to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on the subject of widening Mansion House-street and the Poultry, and that the same be supplied to the Members of this Board.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,

30th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and have ascertained that the Cash Account is as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 28th October, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 28th October, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	8,297 10 4	95,000 0 0	103,297 10 4	76 12 4	225 11 10	302 4 2
Covent Garden Approach	653 2 5	.....	653 2 5	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	547 7 1	2,500 0 0	3,047 7 1	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	82 4 6	.....	82 4 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	165 1 7	.....	165 1 7	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	1,609 11 7	6,000 0 0	7,609 11 7	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	11,354 17 6	103,500 0 0	114,854 17 6	81 12 4	230 11 10	312 4 2
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	32,826 0 5	.....	32,826 0 5	.....	8,133 10 0	8,133 10 0
Thames Embankment (North)	136,428 9 3	.....	136,428 9 3	166 0 10	14,496 3 2	14,662 4 0
£	180,609 7 2	103,500 0 0	284,109 7 2	247 13 2	22,860 5 0	23,107 18 2

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they now submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received from 14th to 28th October, 1865—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
Rates—		
St. George, Hanover Square - - - -	999 14 3	
Fees under Metropolitan Buildings Act - - -	24 15 0	
Fees under Sale of Gas Acts - - - -	118 10 0	
Cost of Drain Junctions to Main Sewers, Camberwell -	2 14 0	
		1,145 13 3
Covent Garden Approach.		
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -		37 6 8
Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -		24 11 8
Finsbury Park.		
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -		36 7 8
Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
Rates—St. George, Hanover Square - - - - - -		1,443 0 0
Thames Embankment (North).		
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -		402 18 1
		£3,089 17 4

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the Engineer and Accountant, for the payment of the sums mentioned in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums therein specified, amounting to £31,225 5s. 11d., be paid.

Your Committee have directed their attention to the amounts standing on the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £5,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

That the sum of £1,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 13th instant, (No. 37), they have considered the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the sum of £10,000, for the purpose of constructing a portion of the new sewers in the Parish of Putney. The works in question form a portion of those, the Plans of which were approved by the Board on 2nd June last, (No. 17). Your Committee have received a Report from the Engineer, stating that the works proposed comprise a total length of about 2 miles 1,558 feet of sewer, varying in size from 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″ brick, to a 12-inch pipe, and that the Estimate of the cost is fair and reasonable. Your Committee have had before them a Statement, showing the financial condition of the District, which appears to them to justify the proposed Loan. They recommend—

That the sanction of the Board be given to the proposed Loan of £10,000, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee have further to report that, in compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 20th instant, (No. 60), they have considered the application of Mr. E. H. Thiselton, late Collector of Rates in the Parish of Battersea, for additional remuneration for collecting the Main Drainage Rate in that Parish, in consideration of the lengthened period over which the collection was extended. It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that the applicant was a defaulter in the case of the Rate in question, to the extent of £211 19s. 8d.; this amount was, however, paid by the Guarantee Society, who were his Sureties. Your Committee are of opinion that this is not a case which calls for the allowance of any additional remuneration, and they recommend—

That the application of Mr. Thiselton be not granted.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
EDWD. SHEPHERD.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
DETHICK, W., Contractor—			
(1-6543)	Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -	£ 664 1 7	
(1-6544)	On account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - -	3,000 0 0	
		3,664 1 7	
	Carried forward - -	£3,664 1 7	

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward - -	3,664 1 7	
Moxon, W., Contractor—			
(1-6545)	Fourth Instalment for Contract Works to Falcon Brook Sewer, (No. 38) - - - -	813 0 0	
Wainwright, T., Contractor—			
(1-6546)	On account of Contract Works, White Post Lane Sewer, (No. 40) - - - - -	400 0 0	
London and North Western Railway Company—			
(1-6547)	Expenses incurred in repairs to Sewer under their line at Kilburn, July, 1865 - - -	7 17 10	
Cory and Son, Contractors—			
(1-6548)	Bills for Coals supplied, as per Contract, July to September, 1865—		
	Pumping Station, Crossness - £880 19 8		
	,, Deptford - 345 2 6		
	,, Cremorne - 265 12 6		
		1,491 14 8	
Sundry Rates and Taxes—			
(1-6549)	For Premises used for Main Drainage purposes -	14 10 1	
Hart, W. P.—			
(1-6550)	Half-year's rent (less tax) of Premises, Norman-road, Greenwich, due Michaelmas, 1865 - -	13 15 4	
Phœnix Gas Light and Coke Company—			
(1-6551)	Supply of Gas at Pumping Station, Deptford, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - -	23 10 7	
Bazalgette, J. W., Engineer—			
(1-6552)	Travelling Expenses in examining Schemes, and preparing Report on Utilization of Sewage South of the Thames, as per Order of Board, 7th July, 1865 -	5 0 0	
Warner, J.			
(1-6553)	Bill for Repairs to Warming Apparatus at Office, Spring Gardens, October, 1865 - - -	12 16 3	
Weekly Wages—			
(1-6554)	Week ending 18th October, 1865 - £116 17 5		
	,, 25th ,, - 118 19 4		
		235 16 9	
Gardiner, D., Collector—			
(1-6555)	Poor's Rate for Gas-Meter Testing-House, Shoreditch, made October, 1865 - - - -	3 15 0	
Phœnix Gas Light and Coke Company—			
(1-6556)	Supply of Gas at Gas-Meter Testing-House, Southwark, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - -	9 15 7	
Chelsea Water Works Company—			
(1-6557)	Supply of Water at Gas-Meter Testing-House, Westminster, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 -	2 10 0	
Chamber of London—			
(1-6558)	One Quarter's Rent (less tax) of St. George's Wharf, Deptford, due Michaelmas, 1865 - -	12 5 10	
			6,710 9 6
	Carried forward -	-	£6,710 9 6

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward - - -		6,710 9 6
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
(8-1905)	Further on acccount of Contract Works, Southern Outfall, Crossness - - - -	7,500 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor --			
(8-1906)	Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - £164 10 8		
(8-1907)	On Account of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - - - 1,500 0 0		
		1,664 10 8	
PALLANT, J.—			
(8-1908)	Bill for supplying and engraving Inscription Plate for Pumping Station, Crossness, October, 1865 -	32 10 0	
DRIVER, C. W.			
(8-1909)	Bill for making Water Color Drawing of Pumping Station, Crossness, September, 1865 - -	35 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1910)	Week ending 18th October, 1865 - £78 4 7 ,, 25th ,, - 75 1 7		
		153 6 2	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—			
(8-1911)	To 30th September, 1865 - - -	16 12 6	
			9,401 19 4
	Thames Embankment (North).		
FURNESS, G., Contractor—			
(9-712)	Further on account of Contract No. 1, including Plant and Materials - - - -	15,000 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-713)	Week ending 18th October, 1865 £36 7 6 ,, 25th ,, 41 12 6 78 0 0 Ditto, Thames Embankment, South, week ending 25th October, 1865 - - 7 11 0		
		85 11 0	
NEW RIVER COMPANY—			
(9-714)	Bill for Water supplied to sundry premises taken for New Street to Mansion House - -	9 3 9	
IMPERIAL FIRE OFFICE—			
(9-715)	Insurance of Premises No. 6, Old Fish Street, one year to 8th September, 1866 - - -	4 0 0	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—			
(9-716)	To 30th September, 1865 - - - -	14 2 4	
			15,112 17 1
	TOTAL - - -		£ 31,225 5 11

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
EDWD. SHEPHERD.
CHAS. HARRIS.
W. CLARK.
EDWD. R. COOK.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £31,225 5s. 11d., be paid.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the sum of £5, for travelling expenses incurred by the Engineer in examining the localities referred to in the Tenders for the Utilization of the Sewage, South of the Thames, as per Order of the Board, 7th July, 1865, be struck out from the list of payments.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote was lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £5,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That the sum of £1,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the application of the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, for permission to borrow the sum of £10,000, for the purpose of sewerage works in the Parish of Putney, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of 30 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed 5 per cent. per annum.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. E. H. Thiselton, late Collector of Rates on the Parish of Battersea, for extra remuneration for making and collecting such Rates, be not granted.

5. Mr. Tite, M.P., brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
23rd October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 31st July, 1863, (No. 21), referring to them the whole question of the Approaches to the Northern Embankment. This important subject has occupied the deliberations of your Committee on several occasions, and they think that the time has now arrived when your Honorable Board should determine as to the formation of these Approaches, more especially as they have ascertained from your Engineer that, until the Approaches are decided upon, it will be impossible for the Metropolitan District Railway Company to determine the precise spots where their Stations should be. Your Committee, after earnest consideration, arrived at the conclusion that the public requirements necessitate some considerable departure from the original Plan of the Approaches sanctioned by Parliament, and they accordingly instructed the Engineer and Superintending Architect to prepare and submit to them a Plan of the Approaches it would appear most desirable to construct. Your Committee have had before them the Plan which has been prepared by those Officers, and have made some modifications therein, and, in submitting the same, together with the Report of the Officers thereon, for the approval of your Honorable Board, they would urge that they have had regard not only to the requirements of the public traffic, but also to the improvement which would be

effected in the surrounding neighbourhood by the formation of the Approaches suggested. Your Committee find that the total net cost of the proposed Approaches is estimated, approximately, at the sum of £502,500, and of those sanctioned by Parliament, at the sum of £230,500, thus showing an increase in the estimated cost of £272,000. The Approaches to the Embankment which your Committee beg to recommend for the approval of the Board are—

From Whitehall-yard, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £40,500.

From Whitehall-place, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £10,800.

From Charing-cross, through Northumberland House to the Embankment roadway at Charing-cross Railway-bridge, including a branch leading Southward to the Embankment roadway, a cross street from Great Scotland-yard to the extension from Whitehall-place, the widening of Northumberland-street, and the extension of Craven-street, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £189,300.

From Wellington-street to the Embankment roadway at Charing-cross Railway-bridge, including a branch from the same to the Embankment roadway at Waterloo-bridge, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £253,700.

From Villiers-street, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £1,200.

From Norfolk-street, at a net cost, estimated approximately, at £7,000.

Your Committee also recommend your Honorable Board to give the necessary instructions for the preparation of a Bill, and the taking of all steps for obtaining the necessary powers, in the ensuing Session, for carrying out these recommendations.

Your Committee beg to submit, for the information of your Honorable Board, the Report and Plan prepared by the Engineer and Superintending Architect, together with a Statement as to the value of the Coal Dues received, and the approximate value of the same for extended periods of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 years, beyond their present continuance.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
G. B. RICHARDSON.

REPORT BY ENGINEER AND SUPERINTENDING ARCHITECT ON THE THAMES EMBANKMENT APPROACHES, REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Gentlemen,

We have, under your direction, carefully considered the subject of the Approaches to the Thames Embankment Roadway, and are of opinion that some important alterations should be made from the Plans sanctioned in 1862; and if you concur in this view, application should be made to Parliament during the coming Session for powers to effect such alterations.

The great defect in the authorized Approaches appears to us to be—the want of direct communication between Charing-cross and the Thames Embankment; and to remedy this defect, we recommend the formation of a new Street, starting from between the new National Bank and Northumberland House, at Charing-cross, and passing through the Gardens and back portion of Northumberland House, in a direct line to the new Charing-cross Steam-boat Pier. This Roadway would be 900 feet long, 80 feet wide, and have an inclination of 1 in 150. It would afford a direct line of communication between the City and the West-end, independent of the Strand route, as well as a second thoroughfare from Charing-cross to the Houses of Parliament, now so much needed, and the most convenient and direct communication with the Charing-cross Steam-boat Pier. It would also open up a view of the River all the way from the Opera Arcade; and the new Railway-bridge and Steam-boat Pier would be seen to great advantage.

We have regarded this improved Approach of sufficient national importance to induce us to recommend the purchase of Northumberland House, which, though costly, will throw open such a fine amount of valuable building frontages, and so vastly improve the neighbourhood, as to render it, in our judgment, a judicious arrangement. The probable nett cost of this communication would be about £170,000.

Between Charing-cross and Waterloo Bridges, we recommend the formation of a handsome Crescent, which would afford the most valuable building frontages, and form one of the finest features

in London. To enable the Board to build upon this Crescent, it would be necessary to obtain possession of some of the houses in Adelphi-terrace. We further recommend an improved communication from the junction of Wellington-street and the Strand, and a new Approach from Bedford-street, which would open up the thoroughfare through Garrick-street and the new Street to be constructed in connection with the North-Western and Charing-cross Railway.

We have been unable to form an accurate Estimate of these improvements within the time allowed, but are of opinion that they will probably amount to somewhere about, or rather more than, £100,000, or a total excess over the Plans sanctioned by Parliament of, say, £270,000.

We are, &c.,

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.
GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

To the
Thames Embankment Committee.

THAMES EMBANKMENT WORKS.

TOTAL WORKS AND COMPENSATIONS.

ESTIMATE OF WORKS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE.

1	2	3				1	2	3
Works only.	Purchase and Compensations. — Gross Amount.	Gross Outlay.		Works only.			Purchase and Compensations. — Nett Amount.	Works and Compensation together. — Nett Cost.
£	£	£	THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH—	£	£	£	£	£
			Contract, No. 1 . .	520,000				
			,, ,, 2 . .	229,000				
			(Intended) ,, 3 . .	140,000				
					889,000	...	425,150	
			Main Roadway and Approaches . . .	...	130,000	...	422,500	
			Ornamental Grounds, fencing and laying out	...	10,000			
			Pontoons, &c., for Steam Boat Piers .	...	25,000			
1,054,000	1,523,000	2,577,000	Total Cost of Works to be executed under Powers of Thames Embankment Act, 1862, but with the modifications in the Approach Roads as recommended in Report of Committee .			1,054,000	847,650	1,901,650
			MANSION HOUSE STREET—					
51,000	1,248,260	1,299,260	Total cost of Works to be executed under Powers of Metropolitan Improvement Act, 1863		...	51,000	573,060	624,060
			THAMES EMBANKMENT, SOUTH—					
309,000	750,060	1,059,060	Total cost of Works to be executed under Powers of Thames Embankment Acts, 1863, and 1864		...	309,000	555,754	864,754
£1,414,000	3,521,320	4,935,320			£	1,414,000	1,976,464	8,390,464

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.
GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

THAMES EMBANKMENT—NORTH SIDE.

ROADWAY AND APPROACHES.

ESTIMATE OF WORKS AS AMENDED BY COMMITTEE.

1	2	3		1	2	3
Works only.	Purchase and Compensations. / Gross Amount.	Gross outlay.		Works only.	Purchase and Compensations. / Nett Amount	Total Nett Cost.
£	£	£		£	£	£
50,000	...	50,000	MAIN ROADWAY from Westminster Bridge to East End of Temple.	50,000	...	50,000
			APPROACH ROADS—			
5,500	35,000	40,500	Whitehall Yard	5,500	35,000	40,500
3,000	7,800	10,800	Whitehall Place Extension	3,000	7,800	10,800
44,000	470,700	514,700	Crescent Road, from Charing Cross Bridge to Wellington Street, together with Branch Road from same to the Embankment Road, at Waterloo Bridge ...	44,000	209,700	253,700
1,200	...	1,200	Extension to Villier's Street	1,200	...	1,200
19,300	489,500	508,800	Road from Charing Cross, through Northumberland House, to Embankment Roadway at Charing Cross Bridge, together with Branch Southward to Embankment Roadway, Cross road from Scotland Yard to Whitehall Place, and the widening of Northumberland Street	19,300	170,000	189,300
7,000	...	7,000	Norfolk Street Approach	7,000	...	7,000
£130,000	1,003,000	1,133,000		£130,000	422,500	552,500

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.
GEORGE VULLIAMY.
Superintending Architect.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE REPORT.

Estimates submitted by the Chairman to the Thames Embankment Committee, of the approximate cost of the various works at present chargeable on the Coal Dues, and of the Approaches suggested by the Engineer and Superintending Architect, as modified by the Committee, together with a calculation of the present value of the Coal Dues for the term now assigned by Parliament, and an estimate of the present value of their extension for the several terms of two, three, four, five, six, and seven years.

ESTIMATES FOR WORKS.

		£
Thames Embankment, North—		
Engineer's Estimate	£1,054,000	
Architect's do. (nett)	847,650	
		1,901,650
Mansion House-street—		
Engineer's Estimate	£ 51,000	
Architect's do. (nett)	573,060	
		624,060
Southern Embankment—		
Engineer's Estimate	£309,000	
Architect's do. (nett)	555,754	
		864,754
		£3,390,464

VALUE OF COAL DUES.

	£
Amount of Coal Dues already received	371,383
Ditto,—Exchequer Bills and Consols	391,163
Present value of unexpired term of Coal Dues, 17¼ years, at £187,000 per annum, calculated at 3¾ per cent.	2,324,878
Amount to be received from Railway Company	200,000
	£3,287,424

Assuming that the nett cost of the Works will be £3,390,464, and taking the value of the Coal Dues, in addition to the amount already received, and that to be received from the Railway Company at £3,287,424, there would be a deficiency of £103,040.

Approximate present Value of Coal Dues, for extended periods of 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 years beyond their present continuance, say, 5th July, 1882.

	Income at present rate of £187,000 per annum.	Income at estimated annual increase of 2 per cent. per annum from this date.
2 years.	£196,593	£283,173
3 ,,	289,606	421,214
4 ,,	379,262	556,948
5 ,,	465,693	690,602
6 ,,	549,020	821,836
7 ,,	629,336	950,858

The Plan referred to in the Report was laid before the Board.

The Report of the Committee having been read,

It was **moved** by Mr. Tite, M.P., seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That it be received.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Miller, M.P.—That the motion by Mr. Tite, M.P., notice of which is inserted in the paper of business for this day, be now considered.

It was then **moved** by Mr. Tite, M.P., and seconded by Major Lyon—"That, in order to "form Approaches to the Thames Embankment, as recommended by the Committee, "and to construct an Embankment of the Thames at Chelsea, and to widen Park-lane "at the Piccadilly end—all of which, in the opinion of this Board, are desirable improve- "ments—it is necessary to apply to Parliament for a further extension of the Coal and "Wine Duties."

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Legg—"That "in order to form Approaches to the Thames Embankment, as recommended by the "Committee, which, in the opinion of this Board, are desirable improvements, it is "necessary to apply to Parliament for a further extension of the Coal and Wine Duties."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—12.

Beven, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Collinson.

Against the Amendment—17.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Clark, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Shepherd, E., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
Long, J., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.

Teller—Mr. Peckett.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—"That "the question be adjourned until next Friday, and that the suggested Improvements in "Park-lane, and as to the Chelsea Embankment, be referred to the Committee, to "consider, and that they report to this Board the best plans for such Improvements, and "the probable expense."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—10.

Beven, T., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Legg.

Against the Amendment—15.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Harris, C., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.

Teller—Mr. Peckett.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Roche, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the question of each improvement be considered separately.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—11.		Against the Amendment—15.	
Beven, T., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Adams, B. H., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Freeman, R., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Evans, B., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.
		Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
		Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.
Teller—Mr. Legg.		Teller—Mr. Peckett.	

The original motion was then put to the vote and carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—15.		Against the Motion—11.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Lyon, Major W.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq,	Miller, T. J. Esq., M.P.	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq.	Evans, B., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.		
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.		
Teller—Mr. Peckett.		Teller—Mr. Legg.	

And it was

Resolved—That, in order to form Approaches to the Thames Embankment, as recommended by the Committee, and to construct an Embankment of the Thames at Chelsea, and to widen Park-lane, at the Piccadilly end—all of which, in the opinion of this Board, are desirable improvements—it is necessary to apply to Parliament for a further extension of the Coal and Wine Duties.

It was then moved by Mr. Tite, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Le Breton—"That Parliamentary "Notices, Books of Reference, and Estimates for these Improvements, be prepared by "the proper Officers of the Board, in time for proceeding in the next Session of Parlia- "ment, and that proper steps be taken to communicate with the Government, on the "suggested mode of supplying funds for these important purposes."

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Le Breton, and seconded by Mr. Roche—"That "Parliamentary Notices, Books of Reference, Plans and Estimates for these Improvements "be prepared by the proper Officers of the Board, and be submitted to the Streets Com- "mittee, to report on to the Board. That the Streets Committee, in the meantime, do take "measures to communicate with the Government, on the suggested mode of supplying the "funds for these improvements."

After discussion, Mr. Tite, by leave of the Board, withdrew his motion.

The amendment was then put to the vote as an orginal motion, and carried.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—16.		Against the Motion—8.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.	Brooker, J., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.	Evans, B., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	
Finnis, T.Q., Esq. Ald.	Moreland, J., Esq.		
Freeman, R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.		
Harris, C., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.		
Lammin, W. H., Esq.			
Teller—Mr. Peckett.		Teller—Mr. Legg.	

And it was

Resolved—That Parliamentary Notices, Books of Reference, Plans and Estimates for these Improvements be prepared by the proper Officers of the Board, and be submitted to the Streets Committee, to report on to the Board. That the Streets Committee, in the meantime, do take measures to communicate with the Government, on the suggested mode of supplying the funds for these improvements.

6. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
24th October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 29th ultimo, (No. 14), they have had under consideration the subject of the progress in the work of connecting certain sewers belonging to the Fulham District Board with the Western Sewers of this Board. They have now the satisfaction of stating that they have received a Report from the Engineer to the effect that the works in question were completed on the 21st inst., and are now in action, and they recommend—

That a communication to that effect be sent to the Fulham District Board.

Your Committee have also to report that, in compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 20th inst., (No. 5), they have considered the application of the Fulham District Board, requesting that the Sump, sunk by the Contractor in connection with the above-mentioned works, might be converted into a Well, for a supply of water to the neighbourhood. It appears that a pump which has for a long time existed there, and which has been of great benefit to the inhabitants, has lately been rendered useless, in consequence of the well from which it was supplied having been twice dried up by the sewerage works of the Board. In consideration of this, the District Board request that the sump may be bricked up and domed over by this Board. The Engineer is of opinion that it might be prejudicial to the health of the inhabitants of the locality if the water supply of the pump were drawn from the sump in question, on account of its proximity to the Western Sewer, but your Committee consider that this is a question for the Medical Officer of the District. It may be desirable, however, that the attention of the District Board should be directed to this view of the matter, and that a copy of the Engineer's Report should be sent to them. With regard to the bricking-up, &c., of the sump, your Committee see no reason why this should be done at the expense of the Board, and they think it should be left to the inhabitants, for whose use it is required. They recommend—

That permission be given to the Fulham District Board to use the Sump in question, for the purpose required, and that a copy of the Engineer's Report on the subject be sent to the District Board.

Your Committee have further to report that, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 31), they have considered the letter from Mr. John Gardiner, on behalf of the Lords Commissioners of Chelsea Hospital, requesting the removal of a small building over the Ranelagh Sewer in the Hospital grounds. The Engineer reports that the building is used by the flapkeeper in connection with his duties at the outlet, and that it can be removed to a spot over the Main Smith-street Sewer, without inconvenience. Your Committee, therefore, recommend that this course be adopted.

Your Committee have also considered the subject of the amounts to be inserted in Bonds for ensuring the due execution of works under the Board, referred to them on the 28th July last, (No. 5). The proportion of the amount of the Bond to the amount of the Contract has hitherto varied very much in the different Contracts for works under the Board. It appears to your Committee, however, that there are many reasons which militate against the adoption of a fixed scale, and they think it preferable that the Engineer should report to the Committee on each occasion, and that they should fix the amount of the Bond to be required, according to the particular circumstances of the case. Your Committee beg to recommend that course for adoption.

Your Committee have further to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 13th inst., (No. 2), referring it back to them to reconsider Mr. E. J. B. Bumstead's claim for compensation for damage to his property, and loss sustained by the construction of the Greenwich, &c., Sewerage works near his premises. On their first consideration of this case, it did not appear to your Committee that there were any special circumstances connected with it, which entitled it to be treated differently from other claims for compensation for loss of trade sustained through the blocking up of the roadway in the execution of sewerage works. The Board having referred the matter back to your Committee, they have again investigated it, and have ascertained from the Engineer that, in addition to alleged loss of business, the applicant did sustain considerable damage to his stock-in-trade, caused by the continual working of a steam-engine within a few feet of his house, the steam and dust of which sometimes filled his rooms; and, in addition to this, the nuisance to those dwelling in the house was such that his lodgers left. The amount of the claim under these two heads is £71 10s. which, in the opinion of your Committee, is fair and reasonable. With respect, however, to the claim for loss of trade arising from the obstruction of the road and prevention of traffic, as your Honorable Board always refuse to entertain claims of this nature, your Committee are of opinion that the same course should be followed in the present instance. They recommend—

That the sum of £71 10s. be paid to Mr. Bumstead, in full of all demands for compensation for damage done to his property, and loss sustained by the construction of the Sewerage works in question.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 20th inst., (No. 10), directing the Engineer to inquire and report whether William Church, late Inspector of Brickwork, under the Board, who died on the 10th inst. from the effects of severe injuries received while in the performance of his duty, left a widow or other relatives dependent upon him, your Committee have received a Report from the Engineer, stating that the deceased left a widow, and that she has little or nothing to support her. Your Honorable Board, on the 30th June last, (No. 3), ordered that the allowance of £1 1s. a week, of

which he was then in receipt, should be continued to him until the 31st December next, and, in consideration of this, and of his widow's straitened circumstanes, your Committee recommend—

That the said allowance be continued to her until that date.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered an application from the Vestry of Camberwell, for permission to appropriate a portion of the site of the Earl Sewer, at the boundary of the Parishes of Camberwell and Bermondsey, for the purpose of widening a roadway between Cooper's-road and Mawbey-road. Your Committee have received a Report from the Engineer, stating that the widening of this road would effect a local improvement, and would form a continuation of that for which this Board gave up a portion of the site of the sewer on the 30th June last, (No. 3). As the application is made for the purpose of a public improvement, your Committee recommend—

That it be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered Mr. Llewellyn's application for remuneration for medical assistance rendered by him to the three Flushers, on the occasion of the accident in the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough, referred by your Honorable Board on the 20th inst., (No. 59). Your Committee are of opinion that £3 3s. would be a fair remuneration for the services rendered, and they recommend—

That that sum be paid to Mr. Llewellyn.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB$^{T.}$ FREEMAN.
E$^{D.}$ COLLINSON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the connecting of certain Sewers with the Western Sewerage Works be approved, and that a communication be addressed to the Fulham District Board of Works, informing them that the works are completed, and are now in action.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Peckett—That permission be given to the Fulham District Board to use the Sump sunk in connection with the Sewerage Works at Walham Green, for the purpose of a Well, and that a copy of the Engineer's Report on the subject be sent to the District Board.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Lammin, and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was carried; and having been put as an original motion, was also carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the building over the Ranelagh Sewer, in the grounds of Chelsea Hospital, used by the Flapkeeper in connection with his duties at the outlet, be removed to a spot over the Main Smith-street Sewer.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the amounts to be inserted in Bonds, for ensuring the due execution of works under the Board, be approved, and that the Engineer do report the particulars of each Contract to be entered into to the Main Drainage Committee, in order that the Committee may direct the insertion of an amount to meet the circumstances of the case.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the sum of £71 10s. be paid to Mr. Bumstead, in full of all demands for compensation for damage done to his property, and loss sustained by the construction of the Greenwich, &c., Sewerage Works, near his premises.

The **motion** having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—16.		Against the Motion—1.
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	
Clark, W., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.	
Collinson, E., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.	
Evans, B., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	
Harris, C., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.	
Le Breton, P. H., Esq.		
Teller—Mr. Freeman.		

And it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Richardson—That a Cheque be now drawn in favor of Mr. Bumstead, for the said sum of £71 10s.; and a Cheque was drawn on the Main Drainage Account, accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the allowance of £1 1s. per week, of which William Church was in receipt at the time of his death, be continued to his Widow, until the 31st December next.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Vestry of Camberwell be permitted to appropriate a portion of the site of the Earl Sewer, at the boundary of the Parishes of Camberwell and Bermondsey, for the purpose of widening a roadway between Cooper's-road and Mawbey-road.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the sum of £3 3s. be paid to Mr. Llewellyn, for medical attendance on the three Flushers who were overcome by foul air in the Main Sewer in Blackman-street, Borough.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn in favour of Mr. Llewellyn, for the said sum of £3 3s.; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board, accordingly.

7. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
25th October, 1865.

In pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd January, 1864,

(No. 2), your Committee beg to report that they have drawn a Cheque for £13, in favor of Mr. Marrable, for Surveyor's costs in respects of the claim of Mr. Fawcett, for his property in Labour-in-vain-yard, required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheque has been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4).

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
HENRY BIDGOOD.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

8. Mr. Freeman brought up a further Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
1st November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 29th ultimo, (No. 8), referring to them, for consideration, the subject of the Contract for covering-over, &c., the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and Putney Boundary Main Sewers. On the above date, your Committee reported on the subject, stating that Mr. Moxon (whose Tender for the work had been conditionally accepted by the Board), was already engaged in covering-over and diverting the Falcon-brook Sewer, and that he was not making such progress with the work as the urgent nature of it required; that they, therefore, thought it advisable he should not be entrusted with an additional work of such magnitude as that of the Heathwall, &c., Sewers, but that he should be left free to devote the whole of his energy to that on which he was then already engaged. Your Committee further recommended that the next lowest Tender for the works in question, viz., that of Mr. Thomas Pearson, for the sum of £45,600, should be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries. The Engineer's estimate was £42,000. Your Honorable Board having, however, received a letter from Mr. Moxon, ascribing the delay in the Falcon Brook works to severe illness, and other unforeseen circumstances, and requesting a re-consideration of the matter, it was referred back to your Committee for that purpose. Your Committee, feeling assured that it was the desire of the Board that every consideration should be shown to Mr. Moxon, consistent with the interests of the public, adjourned the matter for one month, in order that he might have the opportunity of satisfying them that he was making such progress with the Falcon Brook works as would justify the Board in giving him the Heathwall Contract. Your Committee have now to report that they have received a letter from Mr. Moxon, from which it appears that, for some time past, he has been confined to his house from severe illness, and is now prohibited by his medical advisers from leaving it, and he, therefore, requests to be allowed to withdraw his Tender for the last-named works. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend that his application be acceded to. As already stated in the former Report to your Honorable Board, the next lowest Tender is that of Mr. Pearson, and although it is £3,600 above the Engineer's Estimate, your Committee think it would be well to accept it. They therefore recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. Thomas Pearson for the said works, at the sum of £45,600, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROB$^{T.}$ FREEMAN.
JA$^{S.}$ BROOKER.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That, on account of the state of his health, Mr. Moxon be permitted to withdraw his Tender for covering-over, &c., the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and Putney Boundary Main Sewers; and that the Tender of Mr. Thomas Pearson for the works in question, at the sum of £45,600, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

9. Mr. Phillips brought up a further Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
1st November, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in execution of the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in accordance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Hawkes—(the "Acorn" public-house)—Freehold interest—			
Purchase-money (payable to Messrs. Stephen Hawkes, Thomas Hawkes, and Richard Hawkes)	£1,800	0	0
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. Henry Haines)	22	0	0
Re Skilbeck, (No. 4, Bread Street-hill)—Freehold—			
Purchase-money, (Mr. William Skilbeck)	1,638	0	0
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. James Hardwood)	21	0	0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Skilbeck and Griffiths)	8	15	4
Re Halls, (No. 16, St. Peter's-hill)—Freehold—			
Purchase-money (Mr. Mathew Halls)	2,300	0	0
St. John's College, Cambridge, (No. 17, Addle-hill)—			
Purchase-money, to be paid into Court—Freehold	4,185	0	0
Re Moses, (Nos. 13 and 14, Cannon-street West)—			
Costs for copies of Plans, (Messrs. William Horsley and Son)	2	2	0
Re Fawcett—			
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Jones and Starling)	14	9	4
Re Savory—			
Surveyor's Fee, (Mr. Marsh)	52	10	0

Your Committee have also to report that, on the 4th August, 1864, Mr. Richard Henry Moore entered into an Agreement for the Purchase of the plots Nos. 21 to 29, inclusive, in the line of the new Southwark-street, for the sum of £19,500, and a further sum of £690 13s. 8d., in respect of the construction of the vaults. On the 26th July last, a letter from Mr. Moore's Surveyor was laid before your Committee, stating that Mr. Moore

had sold his interest in the plots in question to the Hop and Malt Exchange and Warehouse Company, who are now prepared to complete the purchase. Your Committee consider that the sale of the plots above specified is, in every respect, an advantageous one for the Board, and they recommend that the purchase be forthwith completed; and they beg to submit herewith a Conveyance of the said plots to the Company, to which they recommend that the Seal of the Board be affixed.

Your Committee, in making the above recommendation, would suggest to your Honorable Board, that it is very desirable they should possess authority to sell and convey property in Southwark-street, and that no doubt should exist as to their having such authority, and they beg to recommend that their powers be enlarged to that extent.

Your Committee have further to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd September, last, (No. 27), referring it to them to consider the terms on which Gas, Water, and other Companies may be permitted to occupy and use the Subways in the streets and public places in the Metropolis. In considering this important subject, your Committee could not fail to be impressed with the fact, that a very large amount has already been expended by your Honorable Board in the construction of Subways, and they feel that it is a matter for great regret that such expenditure should, up to the present time, have been in vain. With regard to the steps which your Committee have deemed it advisable to adopt in this matter, they beg to state, that it came to their knowledge that the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company had it in contemplation to break up Southwark-street, for the purpose of laying their mains therein. It appeared, from the information before your Committee, that the Company refused to avail themselves of the Subway, on the ground that, having, in conjunction with the Gas Companies, expended a considerable sum in opposing, before Parliament, the Subways Bill, it would be inconsistent to do so. Your Committee directed the Clerk to address a communication to the Company, pointing out the desirability of their using the Subway, and requesting them to state whether the Board could, in any way, meet the wishes of the Company, so as to induce them to take that course. Your Committee, however, regret to state that their efforts, in this respect, have proved unavailing, and that the Company still decline to use the Subway. Your Committee have felt it right to bring this matter prominently under the notice of your Honorable Board, in order that the public may be made aware with whom the responsibility rests, and, in doing so, they cannot help expressing their sense of the inconvenience to public traffic, and the injury to the paving, which must necessarily ensue from its being broken up; feeling assured that, when once the Street is interfered with in that respect, it can never be restored to its present solid and excellent condition. Your Committee beg, herewith, to submit copy of the letter which they directed to be sent to the Company, together with their reply to the same.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
GEO. PECKETT.

LETTERS REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

Metropolitan Board of Works. Spring Gardens,
2nd October, 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by the Metropolitan Board of Works to acquaint you that they have lately received a communication from the Board of Works for the St. Saviour's District, on the subject of Water Mains being laid down in Southwark-street, to the effect that the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company decline to avail themselves of the opportunity of placing their Mains in the Subway constructed under the street, on the ground that, having, in conjunction with the Gas Companies, laid out a considerable sum of money in opposing the Subways Bill, recently promoted by this Board, it would be inconsistent on their part so to do, but that they were quite willing to lay pipes in the street, in the usual manner.

The Board desire me to request the attention of the Company to the fact that one of the purposes for which the Subway in question was formed, was to afford facilities for the laying down and repair of water pipes, without interfering with the surface of the carriage or footway, whereby much expense to the Company and inconvenience to the public traffic would be avoided, and injury to the solidity of the thoroughfare prevented. The Board, having regard to the interests of the Ratepayers of the Metropolis, considered that, to accomplish these objects, they would be justified in incurring the large expenditure which the formation of the Subway involved, and they deeply regret to find that their efforts, in the direction indicated, are likely to be frustated by the course which the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company propose to adopt. The Board fear that, besides greatly inconveniencing the public, the laying down of the pipes in the ordinary manner will entirely destroy the present excellent condition of the paving of the street, notwithstanding any expense the Company may incur in reinstating the same, and they are desirous of learning, before the ground is broken up, whether the Board can in any way meet the wishes of the Company, so as to induce them to forego the decision at which they appear to have arrived, and thus preserve the surface of the street intact.

I am, &c.,

James Rosseter, Esq., (Signed) JOHN POLLARD,
Secretary, Clerk of the Board.
Southwark Water Company,
Sumner-street, Southwark.

Office of Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company,
Sumner-street, Southwark,
26th October, 1865.

Sir,

Your letter of the 2nd instant has been this day laid before the Court of Directors, and the subject, to which it refers, again taken into mature consideration.

I am instructed to state, that it is with great regret that the Directors feel themselves compelled to decline compliance with the wish of the Metropolitan Commissioners, that the Company's mains should be laid in the Subway in Southwark Street.

The laying the mains in the Subway would subject the Company to great trouble and expense, it would also involve a serious and indefinite risk, in which the public would share, while, as the Directors believe, the convenience of the public would not on the whole be increased.

The laying down the mains cannot, with a view to protection in case of fire, be longer delayed. In giving instructions for the laying, the Company's Engineer will however gladly meet, as far as may be practicable, any suggestions on the part of the Officers of the Metropolitan Commissioners, so to place the water mains as not to interfere with the Subway, or the use to be derived from it.

I am, &c.,

John Pollard, Esq., (Signed) JAMES ROSSETER,
Clerk of the Board to Secretary.
Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens, S.W.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the conveyance of Plots Nos. 21 to 29 inclusive, in the line of Southwark-street, to the Hop and Malt Exchange and Warehouse Company, be approved.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the Deed of Conveyance (in duplicate) to the Company, of the plots of ground in question.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed of Conveyance, and duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the powers of the Committee be extended so as to enable them to effect sales of property in the line of Southwark-street, and that the Solicitor do prepare a form of order for carrying the resolution into effect.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the proceedings of the Committee in reference to the terms upon which Gas, Water, and other Companies should be permitted to occupy and use Subways, be approved; and that the subject be referred back to the Committee, in order to watch the proceedings of the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, and to report to the Board thereon.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Newington, for permission to stop up Sun-street, East-street, in that Parish, for the period of three weeks, for the purpose of cleaning out the sewer therein, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

11. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
2nd November, 1865.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT, THE NORTHERN LOW LEVEL SEWER, &c., WORKS.

NORTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Thames Embankment, (Contract No. 1), between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges.—The works carried out in connection with this Contract, comprise about 1,624 feet in length of timber coffer-dam and iron caisson-dam completed, and about 1,506 feet in length of timber and caisson-dams in various stages of progress. Structural works of concreting, brickwork, granite, and other masonry, are also in various stages, within a length of about 1,074 feet of dam, and excavation is proceeding within a further length of about 300 feet. The works already executed comprise about 722 feet in length of the Low Level Sewer, 284 feet in length of the flushing sewer, 1,600 feet of the 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″ small drains, &c., intercepting sewer, and nearly 600 feet of the subway are either completed or in a forward state, and the Westminster Steam-boat Pier and adjacent works brought up to its level. In addition to the whole of these works, about 393,000 cubic yards of material have been supplied for filling-in at the back of the Embankment and on the foreshore. The approximate value of the completed work, and of the material and plant upon the ground, is £236,250; of which the sum of £20,345 is for the progress made by Mr. Furness in the past month. Of the total amount, the proportionate sum of £124,037 is for works, £51,662 for materials, and £60,551 for plant.

Thames Embankment, (Contract No. 2), between Waterloo-bridge and Temple-gardens.—Within the completed dam fronting Somerset-house, the excavation has been commenced at the Western end,

and 3,000 yards of earth have been removed. The brickwork of the wall, sewer, and subway have made good progress, and the stonework of the facing is completed to within 6 feet of high-water mark. The Temple Steam-boat Pier and landing-stage, a very heavy part of this Contract, is steadily and satisfactorily progressing. The dam at the Eastern-end is nearly completed, and thus the entire line of works will shortly be enclosed from the effects of the tide. The quantity of stone bedded in the past month is 7,645 cubic feet of granite and 1,080 feet super of 6-inch York landings. The number of rods of brickwork laid is 142, and of cube yards of concrete deposited 2,692. The approximate value of the whole of the completed works, and of the materials and plant upon the ground, is £153,000, of which the sum of £8,129 represents the value of the work done by Mr. Ritson in the past month. Of the total amount, the proportionate sum of £92,889 is for work, £21,094 for materials, and £39,017 for plant.

Low Level Sewer.—Satisfactory progress continues to be made with the portion of this sewer which is being tunnelled, upwards of 1,130 feet of the main line having been completed in the past month, and the works under the River Lee are also progressing as rapidly as their difficult nature will permit, the ground being very treacherous and bad. The total length of the main and branch sewers completed is about 3¼ miles, the value of which, with the incidental works connected therewith, is about £159,600, of which the sum of £15,481 is due to the progress made by Mr. Webster in the past month.

Abbey Mills Pumping Station.—The excavation for this building is now fast progressing, the ground having been got out to a depth of 28 feet from the surface, or nearly to the level of the bottom of the lowest footings of the walls. The whole is well timbered, and the water is being quickly pumped out from a sump sunk to a depth of 45 feet from the surface. The approximate value of these works is £9,000, £2,000 representing the proportionate sum due to the progress made by Mr. Webster in the past month.

South side of the Thames.

The Thames Embankment works have been vigorously commenced by Mr. Webster, who has about 400 feet of the timber coffer-dam already in progress.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

12. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
2nd November, 1865.

Thames Embankment, North.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 1st instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	1,968	...
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	1,968	...

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 1st instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	99,629	160,720
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	106,493	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 277,389 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd November, 1865, submitting, for approval, the Plans, Sections, and Specification of the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, and recommending the issuing of advertisements inviting Tenders for the execution of the works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

14. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
2nd November, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Galbraith, dated 24th ultimo, submitting for approval, in accordance with Order of Board of 29th September last, (No. 18), Plan showing spans of bridges proposed to be erected to carry the Kensington and Richmond Railway over several roads in the neighbourhood of Hammersmith. (27 and 28 Vic., cap 166).

The Plan refers to Bridges to be built over New-road, Shaftesbury, Albion, Cambridge, Dartmouth, and Grove roads, Bradmore-lane, one private road, and one proposed road.

I recommend that the Plan submitted be approved, subject to the following modifications :—that the Western abutment of the bridge over New-road be set back to line of fence ; that the Eastern abutment of the bridge over Albion-road be made to range with line of frontage of houses ; that the Eastern abutment of the bridge over the private road be made to range with line of frontage of houses, the span of 40 feet being preserved, and that the span of bridge over Bradmore-lane be made 40 feet, in lieu of 32 feet, as proposed.

Also, where the length of girder between abutments exceeds 45 feet, or where there are intermediate supports between abutments, the Company should be required to fill in the angle formed between the abutment or intermediate supports and the girder with cast-iron bracket or spandrel piece, of ornamental design, to be approved by your Engineer.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Plan submitted by Mr. Galbraith be approved, subject to the modifications recommended by the Engineer being strictly carried out.

15. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
2nd November, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Macintyre, on behalf of Mr. Sinclair, submitting for approval details of cast-iron girders for carrying Downs Park-road, Hackney, over the Great Eastern Railway. (27 and 28 Vic., cap. 313.)

This Drawing is submitted for approval in accordance with Order of the Board of the 6th ultimo, (No. 19), when the design for the bridge was generally approved, subject to some modifications.

The design for girders now submitted requires to be strengthened, to support, with safety, heavy loads to which they may possibly be subjected.

I recommend that the Railway Company be required to increase the area of the bottom flange of the girders to 54 inches, and that of the top flange to 9 inches.

Also that the tie-bolt be increased to 2½ inches in diameter, and be carried through the outer and four next inner girders, so as to embrace five bays in lieu of one bay, as designed.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the drawing submitted by Mr. Macintyre be approved, subject to the modifications mentioned in the Report of the Engineer being strictly carried out.

16. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens
1st November, 1865.

STORES.—DEPTFORD AND CROSSNESS.

I beg to report that the following stores are required for use at the Deptford and Crossness Pumping Stations, and I recommend that advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for the supply—

1,300 gallons best Olive Oil, (300 gallons for Deptford, and 1,000 gallons for Crossness).
8 tons best Russian Tallow, (3 tons for Deptford, and 5 tons for Crossness).
2½ tons best White Cotton Waste, (½ ton for Deptford, and 2 tons for Crossness).

1,000 gallons best Colza Oil.
50 quires Emery Paper.
3 cwt. Kitchen Candles.
3 ,, best Yellow Soap.
600 cubes Brick-dust.
100 blue-check Dusters (2 feet square).
} For Crossness.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the general question of Stores, and the appointment of Storekeepers, be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 1st November, 1865, on letters from Mr. T. Thresher, with reference to alleged damage done to his houses in Henrietta-place, Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage Works, stating that copies of the letters had been forwarded to Mr. Moxon, the Contractor for the works in question, and the applicant so informed; that Mr. Moxon repudiated the claim, and that Mr. Thresher, therefore, renewed his application to this Board.

Resolved—That the Report be received, and that Mr. Thresher be referred to Mr. Moxon, and informed that the Board on their part decline to entertain the claim.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 3rd November, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Islington, for permission to construct the following works, viz., about 400 feet of sewer, 3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″, one brick thick, and 730 feet of 12 inch pipe sewer, in Hanley-road West, and Abercorn-road, Hornsey-road; 275 feet of 12 inch pipe sewer in intended Mews, Archway-road, Upper Holloway, and 120 feet of 12 inch pipe sewer in Brougham-road, Cottenham-road, Holloway, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 1st November, 1865, on a letter from Sir C. Fox and Son, forwarding, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board, of the 13th ult., (No. 10), a Plan showing the intended mode of diverting the Regent-street and Victoria-street Main Sewers for the purposes of the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway, stating that the Company proposed to entirely divert the Sewers and connected works, forming the Main Victoria-street and Regent-street Sewers, from the North to the South side of the line, as shown upon the tracing submitted, and recommending the sanction of the Board thereto, subject to the work being done under the direction, and to the satisfaction of their Officers, and at the sole cost of the Company.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the proposed diversion of the Regent-street and Victoria-street Main Sewers be sanctioned, on condition that the

works be done under the direction, and to the satisfaction, of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 1st November, 1865, on a Memorial from Col. Sykes, and 19 other residents in Albion-street, Hyde Park, and its vicinity, urging that the Ranelagh Sewerage Works in that locality might be proceeded with night and day, in order to give early relief to the Inhabitants from the inconvenience arising therefrom, stating that a copy of the Memorial had been sent to the Contractor, Mr. Thirst, with a request that he would carry out, as far as possible, the wishes of the Memorialists, and that he had promised to use every exertion to expedite the works.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be forwarded to the Memorialists.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 2nd November, 1865, stating that an unauthorized entry had been made into the Southern High Level Sewer, at Lordship-lane, Dulwich, by Mr. John William Sawyer, for the purpose of draining an intended public-house, and that Mr. Sawyer, upon having his attention drawn to the matter, had expressed his regret that the entry had been made without leave.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Solicitor, and that he do advise the Board as to the course to be adopted under the circumstances.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Bircham and Co., on behalf of the East London Water Works Company, dated 18th October, 1865, suggesting that a portion of the land near to the Subway over the Company's Main, at Old Ford, formerly the property of the Company, and which it had been arranged should be conveyed to the Board, should remain the property of the Company, to enable them to obtain access to their pipes, at their option, and forwarding a tracing of the land in question. The Solicitor stated that he had consulted the Engineer on the subject, who had suggested that the whole of the land should be conveyed to the Board, as originally intended, but that an easement over a portion of the same should be reserved to the Company for the above-mentioned purpose.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do, in the meantime, ascertain if the Company will agree to the suggestion of the Engineer.

23. Read a Report, as follows—

LOCOMOTIVES ACT, 1865.

I have prepared a Form of Order under this Statute to carry out the wishes of the Board. I present it. I think the Board should seal the Order.

The Act requires that a copy of the Order should be affixed to some public place, within the jurisdiction of the Board, and be advertised in some newspaper there. A strict compliance with the Act will be satisfied by affixing the copy Order on a board in the Entrance Hall of the Board, and by one advertisement in (probably the Board would wish) the *Times*, newspaper; but I would recommend that the Board advertise their Order in three papers, for three successive weeks, and that a sufficient number of copies of the Order be struck off, to enable the Clerk of the Board to send a copy to each District Board, or Vestry, within the Metropolis, with a request from the Board that the Vestry Clerk do affix a copy on the Notice Board of the Vestry or District Board.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and acted upon; and it was resolved and ordered as follows—

LOCOMOTIVES ACT, 1865.

Whereas, by virtue of the eighth Section of this Act, the Metropolitan Board of Works is empowered, within the Metropolis, as defined by the Act of the Session of the 18th and 19th years of Her present Majesty, chap. 120, (except in the City of London and the Liberties thereof) to make Orders as to the hours during which, and as to the speed—not in any case to exceed two miles an hour—at which Locomotives are to pass through the places subject to the jurisdiction of the said Board. Now, pursuant to the provisions of the said Locomotives Act, 1865, the Metropolitan Board of Works doth hereby, in writing, and under their Common Seal, make Order, that no Locomotive, propelled by steam or any other than animal power, (except a Steam Fire Engine actually going to or returning from a fire), shall be driven or conducted, or be allowed to pass through any street or place within the limits of the jurisdiction of the said Board, between the hours of 6 o'clock in the morning and 10 o'clock in the afternoon of any day, and that, with the exception of these hours, Locomotives may pass along the streets and places aforesaid. And with regard to speed, this Board doth Order, that the speed at which such Locomotives shall be so driven or pass through any street or place within the limits of the jurisdiction of the Board, shall not exceed two miles an hour. Provided, that this Order shall not extend to the City of London, or the Liberties thereof.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order, in duplicate.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Order, and duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Resolved—That a copy of the said Order be forwarded to the Commissioners of the Metropolitan Police, in addition to the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

23a. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Buckland, dated 20th October, 1865, stating that Mr. Furness had recently sold the property adjoining the Main Sewer at Plaistow and East Ham, which he purchased from the Board on the 13th November, 1863; and it having been discovered that there were only eighteen acres, instead of 18A. 2R., the purchasers had declined to pay him for any excess over that quantity, and requesting the Board to make a reduction for the half acre overcharged. The Solicitor also laid before the Board a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
3rd November, 1865.

Re FURNESS.

I present letter from Mr. Buckland, on behalf of Mr. Furness.

I have looked back at the papers, and find that the property was conveyed by Plan, and the rule in law is that, unless there be some mistake or some peculiar circumstance, a Vendor cannot, after a Conveyance, claim compensation if there be a deficiency in quantity, and it seems to me that Mr. Furness's legal right to compensation ought not to be admitted.

Probably the Board might rather wish to treat the matter on its true ground, and probably the Board may think it well to let Mr. Oakley examine the matter, and report whether, even in fact and fairness, there is any, and what, ground for the demand of Mr. Furness.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said Letter and Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

24. Read a Report, as follows—

PNEUMATIC DISPATCH COMPANY.

In this case the Board directed a Bill to be filed against the Company. This was done during

the recess. The Company has not filed any Answer, and will probably file none. The Board is now entitled to go on with the evidence in support of the Bill, and to give Notice of Motion for a Decree.

The Company, I believe, have completed their works so that they are carrying on the transmission of despatches, &c.

Will the Board be pleased to say whether the proceedings are to be continued, and if I shall take all steps to bring the Suit to a hearing.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the Solicitor do take all the necessary steps for bringing the suit to a hearing.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Agreement between Mr. Webster and his Sureties, and the Board, dated 26th October, 1865, for varying the Contract for the construction of the Wick-lane Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Undertaking by Mr. Charles Marzetti, dated 20th October, 1865, with reference to the diversion by him of the Main Irongate Sewer, as approved by the Board on the 6th October last, (No. 17).

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Undertaking; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

27. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Alfred Drew, dated 27th October, 1865, with reference to alleged damage to a barge, from a stake which had been driven in at the Southern Embankment works at Stangate, and reported that the matter had been settled by the Contractor.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. H. W. Keys, threatening legal proceedings to enforce his claim for compensation for alleged damage to his houses in Dove-place, Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage works.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do ascertain from the Engineer the facts relating to the said claim, and report to the Board thereon.

29. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the claim of Mr. J. C. Walton, for compensation for alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, in the execution of sewerage works, that negotiations were proceeding in the matter.

30. Read a Report, as follows—

HAWES *v.* THE BOARD.

In this case the Claimant sues the Board on an Award made by an Arbitrator. A question was raised as to the Claimant having been out of time in his proceedings, and Counsel advised, at all events, that the money should not be paid until after Action.

I have submitted the Declaration and Contract to the Pleader, and he advises the Board not to resist the Action. I would suggest that a copy of the opinion be forwarded to the Contractor's Solicitors, and that I intimate to him that the Board will act upon Counsel's advice, unless the Contractor will take the matter on his own hands, and conduct the defence at his own risk and expense. I present the Declaration and Opinion.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

November 3rd, 1865.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do forward a communication to the Contractor's Solicitor, as suggested therein.

31. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Pownall, dated 1st November,

1865, stating, with reference to the Arbitration between the Board and the South Eastern Railway Company, as to the purchase by the Board from the Company of a strip of land, formerly part of Hungerford Wharf, that Mr. Hunt had been appointed Umpire between the Arbitrators, and requesting that as the Umpire's time for making his Award would expire on the 7th instant, it might be enlarged until the 1st day of March next.

Resolved—That the request be acceded to.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, stating that, in consequence of the alteration of level in St. James's Park, in front of Carlton-terrace, the fence wall of the enclosure of the Offices of the Board had become exposed, and would have to be under-pinned and cemented, to render it secure, at an estimated expense of £23 10s.

Resolved—That the said work be executed under the Contract for General Works, and that the cost be charged to the current Account of the Board.

33. It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the Board do now adjourn.

34. The following **Notice of Motion** was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Peckett, (No. 256)—As to reference to the Streets Committee, to consider as to the best and speediest mode of carrying out the Finsbury Park Act.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 10th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 40.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **10th** day of **November**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Jeremiah Long, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq,
William Carpmael, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 3rd November instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Read a letter, as follows—

Whitehall,
31st October, 1865.

Sir,

I am directed by Secretary Sir George Grey to request that you will call the attention of the Metropolitan Board of Works to the Debate in the House of Commons, on the 13th June last, on the Motion of Sir William Fraser, for the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the operation of the Act, 18 and 19 Vic., cap 120, so far as relates to the paving, lighting, and cleansing of the Metropolis—("Hansard's Parliamentary Debates," vol. 180, Part 1, page 133)—and that you will move the Board to favour Sir George Grey with any observations and suggestions which they may wish to make on the subject of the proposed consolidation of District Municipal Boards in the Metropolis.

I have the honor, &c.,
(Signed) T. G. BARING.

The Chairman of the
Metropolitan Board of Works,
&c., &c.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the said Letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Major Lyon, and seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor—That the receipt of the communication be acknowledged, and that it be intimated to Mr. Baring that the Board feel it is a subject upon which they can offer no suggestions or observations.

After discussion, Major Lyon, by leave of the Board, withdrew his Amendment.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved—That the Letter from Mr. Baring be printed and circulated among the Members of the Board, together with a copy of the Report of the Debate in the House of Commons referred to therein, should there be no difficulty in obtaining its publication.

3. Mr. Cook handed in a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk of the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 8th November, 1865, stating that it had been reported to the District Board by their Surveyor, that Mr. George R. Parsons, of No. 13, Sarah-street, Poplar, had caused to be erected, and that Mr. Henry Webb, of No. 1A, West India Dock-road, had erected, a building on the South side of the East India Dock-road, thereby leaving the Northern entrance to Cottage-street 4 feet 3 inches in width, contrary to the Act, 25 and 26 Vict., cap. 102, sec. 98.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook—That the said letter be referred to the Superintendent Architect, for a Report as to the facts of the case.

4. Read a letter, as follows—

Brocket Hall,
November 4th, 1865.

Sir,

I am desired by Lady Palmerston to convey to the Metropolitan Board of Works her grateful thanks for their expression of sympathy with her, and of attachment to the memory of her Husband.

I am, &c.,
(Signed) EVELYN ASHLEY.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Board.

5. Mr. Silas Taylor brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
31st October, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the complaint of Mr. Street, on behalf of the Trustees of the new Church in Woodchester-street, Paddington, relative to the levels of the roadway proposed to be made by Mr. Clarke, in Clarendon-street, adjoining the new Church, referred by your Honorable Board on the 10th March last, (No. 64). Mr. Street objects to the Plan on account of the varying inclines in the roadway in question, and suggests that Mr. Clarke should be required to make, as far as practicable, a uniform inclination from the East-end of the Church up to the Harrow-road, or, at least, to a point marked T on the Plan—this, he contends, would not only make the access to the Church more easy, but would improve the appearance of the whole road. Your Committee have ascertained from your Superintending Architect, that there is very little difference between Mr. Clarke's plan and the one suggested by Mr. Street, and that, as houses have been built and others staked out in the road in question,

it would be very detrimental to Mr. Clarke to have to lower it in front of these houses. Your Committee think that, under the circumstances, no alterations should be required in Mr. Clarke's levels; and they accordingly recommend—

That the Plan of the levels of Clarendon-street, Woodchester-street, and Delamere-terrace, Paddington, submitted by Mr. H. D. Clarke, be approved.

Your Committee have also, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 21st July last, (No. 55), considered the subject of an accident stated to have occurred at a Polling Booth, in Clerkenwell, at the late General Election. Your Committee have had before them communications from Mr. Sibley, the Surveyor of the District in which the accident happened, stating the measures he had adopted for the security of the structure, which appear to your Committee to have been sufficient. From enquiries made, it has been ascertained that the accident was occasioned by an external barrier having yielded to pressure. Your Committee beg to report the fact, and to state that they are of opinion that no blame attaches to the District Surveyor in the matter.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 20th instant, (No. 56), they have considered the letters from Mr. R. Dickins, on behalf of Mr. Rolls, and from Mr. G. H. Drew, on behalf of the Vestry, Bermondsey, representing the injury that would arise to the locality by the erection of a public-house at the corner of Rouel-road and Spa-road, Bermondsey, which would extend up to the footway, leaving no space in front, whereas, on the opposite side of Rouel-road, there are fore-courts in front of the houses. The Plan for the public-house in question was approved by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 9). The applicants request a re-consideration of the Board's decision, and propose that the building, which is now in course of erection, should be kept back, so as to leave a space in front similar to the fore-courts of the houses on the opposite side of the road. Your Committee have conferred with your Superintending Architect on the subject, and, having ascertained from him that the line of frontage of the existing houses is by no means regular, they are of opinion that the previous decision of your Honorable Board, with reference to the application, should not be disturbed, and they recommend—

That a communication to that effect be addressed to the Vestry of Bermondsey, and to Mr. Dickins, respectively.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. John Thomas Campbell, that two bay-windows, erected without permission, at No. 4, Dean-street, Park-lane, might be permitted to remain, referred by the Board on the 22nd September last (No. 44). Proceedings have been taken by the District Surveyor before a Magistrate, who inspected the projections, and adjourned the case in order to obtain the Board's decision upon Mr. Campbell's application, which he makes on the ground that the windows in question occasion no annoyance, and that they have been rendered as nearly fire proof as possible, and do not project nearly so far as other adjacent erections of a similar character. Your Committee have conferred with the Superintending Architect on the subject, and, as there appears to be no objection to the proposed windows, on the ground of their projection, they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd September last, (No. 79), considered the application of Messrs. Ashby and Son, for

the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico to the "Bath Hotel," at the corner of Arlington-street and Piccadilly, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application. It is proposed to project the portico to the same extent as the one at No. 23, Arlington-street, to construct it of iron, and to fill in the sides with glass, and also to cover with glass the roof which projects beyond the balcony. Your Committee have ascertained from Mr. Westerton that the Vestry of St. George, Hanover-square, object to the erection of closed porches, on the ground, amongst other things, of the inconvenience occasioned to foot passengers when a carriage is drawn up before the door. Your Committee have, however, carefully considered the subject, and having ascertained from the Superintending Architect that no objection is made by the adjoining occupier, they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd ultimo, (No. 81), they have considered the application of Mr. C. Maidlow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at No. 24, Fleet-road, St. John's-park, Hampstead. The proposed shop is intended to project 5 feet beyond the general frontage formed by a row of houses standing ten feet back from the public-way, at the Eastern end of which are two shops projecting to the same extent as the one in question. Your Committee have conferred with the Superintending Architect on the subject, and as there is no objection to the erection on the part of the adjoining occupiers, and the Vestry of Hampstead have withdrawn the objection which they originally made to it, they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. W. B. Head, on behalf of Mrs. Fletcher, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron covered-way from the garden gate to the entrance door of the house, No. 10, Pembridge-place, Bayswater, referred by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 14). It is proposed to construct the upright supports of the corrugated iron roof of iron, and to make the structure open at the sides. Your Committee have conferred with your Superintending Architect on the subject, and as there is no objection on the part of the adjoining occupiers, they recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the sides of the proposed erection be left unenclosed.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Thomas Dyke, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews, in the Mall, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, referred by the Board on the 6th instant, (No. 37). It is proposed to make the mews 24 feet 6 inches wide in one part, 24 feet in another, and for a small portion 20 feet wide, and to form the entrance from the Mall of the width of 12 feet, and arched over, so as to conceal the mews as much as possible. Your Committee consider that the entrance from the Mall should be at least 15 feet wide, and having ascertained from the Superintending Architect that the applicant would probably be willing to modify his Plan to that extent, they recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the entrance from the Mall be made of the width of 15 feet, and that the arch over the entrance be constructed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Your Committee have further to report that, they have considered the application of Mr. James Harding, on behalf of Mr. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 13, Park-place, Kennington Cross, Lambeth, referred by your Honorable Board on the 13th instant, (No. 1). The proposed shop is intended to project to the same extent as the public-house adjoining (viz., about 25 feet), and to be one story in height. An objection is made by the adjoining occupier, on the ground that the proposed erection would prejudicially affect his business, by obstructing the view of carriages, &c., for sale, and would also shut out the light from his house. It does not appear to your Committee that this objection is well founded, and, as the Vestry, who originally objected to the proposal, have since changed their view with reference to the matter, they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Thomas Danby, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 41, Great Charlotte-street, Blackfriars-road, referred by the Board on the 13th instant (No. 2). The house in question, in common with nearly all the houses in the New-cut, has, at present, an open wooden pent-house. Your Committee have carefully considered the application, and have conferred with your Superintending Architect thereon, and they are of opinion that properly enclosed shops are most desirable in the neighbourhood, and would be safer, in the event of fire; they accordingly recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the shop be constructed according to the Building Act, and that the extreme projection be limited to that shown on the Plan, viz., from 9 feet 8 inches to 9 feet 11 inches, and that the height be limited to one story.

Your Committee have also, agreeably to the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 27th instant, (No. 14), considered the Report by the Superintending Architect relative to the formation of Ranwell-street, Old Ford-road, of the width of 23 feet, instead of 24 feet as required by the Order of the Board of the 5th February, 1864, (No. 42). Your Committee find, from the Report in question, that the street was commenced shortly after the approval by the Board of the Plan, and was so rapidly formed that, before the Board's Surveyor (Mr. Hart,) had an opportunity of seeing it, the error in the width had been carried nearly the whole length. Your Committee are of opinion that the street, as now formed, should be approved, on condition that the opening into the street from the Old Ford-road be of the width of 24 feet, and they recommend that course for adoption.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the following applications from Vestries, District Boards, and other parties, for the re-naming and re-numbering of various streets and places in the respective Parishes and Districts, viz—

Date of Reference.	Application.
7th July, 1865, (No. 23.) 20th October, 1865, (No 4.)	From the Board of Works for the Hackney District, and from Inhabitants of Greenwood-road, for the re-naming of Greenwood-road, and Wilmot-road, Dalston, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.

Date of Reference.	Application.
27th May, 1864, (No. 46.)	From the Board of Works for the Poplar District, for the re-naming of certain streets in the District, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.
20th March, 1863, (No. 42.) 12th May, 1865, (No. 66.)	From the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, and from Mr. William Jackson, for the re-naming of certain streets in the District, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.
30th September, 1864, (No. 94.)	From the Vestry of Shoreditch, for the re-naming of Pownall-road, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.
7th October, 1864, (No. 48.)	From the Vestry of Camberwell, for the re-naming of Neate-street and Brunswick-road, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.
6th January, 1865, (No. 49.)	From Dr. O'Bryen, for the re-numbering of the houses in Drayton-grove and Thistle-grove, Brompton, and the incorporation of the whole thoroughfare under one name.
12th May, 1865, (No. 67.)	From Mrs. Russell, for the re-numbering of the houses in Montpelier-square, Knightsbridge.
22nd September, 1865, (No. 122.)	From Mr. E. Girdham, for the re-numbering of the houses in Church-road, Haverstock-hill.
29th September, 1865, (No. 54.)	From the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, for the re-numbering of the houses in Little Carter-lane and London House-yard, City.
24th April, 1863, (No. 42.)	From the Board of Works for the Holborn District, for the re-numbering of the houses in Baldwin's-gardens, and Portpool-lane.
16th December, 1864, (No. 72.)	From the Vestry of Newington, for the incorporation of Canterbury-place with Penton-place, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.
16th January, 1865, (No. 26.)	From Mr. R. Pentreath, for the re-numbering of the houses in Albert-street, Penton-place, Newington.
31st March, 1865, (No. 43.)	From Mr. W. R. Sutton, for the re-numbering of the houses in Brooksby-street, Liverpool-road, Islington.
29th September, 1865, (No. 50.)	From the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, for the re-numbering of the houses in the Walworth-road, and the abolition of the subsidiary names therein.

Your Committee have received Reports from the Superintending Architect on the above-mentioned cases, and have inspected Plans of the several localities prepared by him, showing the alterations it is desirable to make, and they beg to recommend—

That the houses and premises in Greenwood-road and Wilmot-road, in the Parish of St. John at Hackney, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers, be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Greenwood-road.

That the houses and premises in John-street, John-street North, Grundy-street, and Grundy-street East, in the Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Grundy-street.

That the houses and premises in Tetley-street and Randall-street, in the Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Tetley-street.

That the houses and premises in Orchard-street and Willis-street, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Bromley, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Willis-street.

That the houses and premises in Chrisp-street, in the Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Chrisp-street.

That the houses and premises in Augusta-street, Randall-street, and Upper Randall-street, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Augusta-street.

That the houses and premises in Pennyfields, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Kerbey-street, in the Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Kerbey-street.

That the houses and premises in High-street, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called High-street.

That the houses and premises in Dacre-park, in the Parish of Lee, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dacre-park.

That the houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare extending from Lee-bridge to Church-lane, and known by the names of Belmont-hill and Lee-lane, in the Parish of Lee, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare, between the points indicated, be called Belmont-hill.

That the houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare extending from St. Margaret's Church to Lee-park, and known by the name of Lee-lane, in the Parish of Lee, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare, between the points indicated, be called Lee-terrace.

That the houses and premises in Pownall-road, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Pownall-road.

That the houses and premises in Neate-street and Brunswick-road, in the Parish of St. Giles, Camberwell, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Neate-street.

That the houses and premises in Thistle-grove and Drayton-grove, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Thistle-grove.

That the houses and premises in Montpelier-square, in the Parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Church-road, or Eton-road, in the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Eton-road.

That the houses and premises in London House-yard, in the City of London, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Baldwin's-gardens, in the Parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Portpool-lane, in the Parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Penton-place and Canterbury-place, in the Parish of St. Mary, Newington, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Penton-place.

That the houses and premises in Albert-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Newington, be re-numbered; that the existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Albert-street.

That the houses and premises in Brooksby-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, be re-numbered, and the existing numbers abolished.

That the houses and premises in Walworth-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Newington, be re-numbered; that existing numbers be abolished, and that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Walworth-road.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
SILAS TAYLOR.
B. EVANS.

The Report having been received,

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Plan of the levels of Clarendon-street, Woodchester-street, and Delamere-terrace, adjoining the new church in Woodchester-street, Paddington, submitted by Mr. H. D. Clarke, be approved.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That so much of the Report as relates to the accident which occurred at a Polling Booth, in Clerkenwell, be approved.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor—That communications be forwarded to Mr. R. Dickins and the Vestry of Bermondsey, stating that the Board regret they are unable to alter their decision with reference to the erection of a public-house at the corner of Rouel-road and Spa-road, Bermondsey, the Plan for which was approved by them on the 6th October last, (No. 9.)

The motion having been seconded, was put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—24.

Bidgood, H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.
Evans, B., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.
Harris, C., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Long, J., Esq.
Lyon, Major W.
Newton, W., Esq.
Peckett, G., Esq.
Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Savage, J., Esq.
Shepherd, E., Esq.
Tanner, J. J., Esq.
Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Taylor, Robert, Esq.

Teller—Mr. Silas Taylor.

Against the Motion—1.

Legg, C., Esq.

And it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That two bay-windows, erected without permission at No. 4, Dean-street, Park-lane, be permitted to remain.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application of Messrs. Ashby and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico to the "Bath Hotel," at the corner of Arlington-street and Piccadilly, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application of Mr. C. Maidlow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop at No. 24, Fleet-road, St. John's-park, Hampstead, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. W. B. Head, on behalf of Mrs. Fletcher, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an iron covered-way from the garden gate to the entrance door of the house, No. 10, Pembridge-place, Bayswater, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the sides of the proposed erection be left unenclosed.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Thomas Dyke, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a Mews, in the Mall, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the entrance from the Mall be made of the width of 15 feet, and that the arch over the entrance be constructed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application of Mr. James Harding, on behalf of Mr. Watts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 13, Park-place, Kennington Cross, Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Thomas Danby, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 41, Great Charlotte-street, Blackfriars-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the shop be constructed according to the Building Act, and that the extreme projection be limited to that figured on the Plan, viz., from 9 feet 8 inches to 9 feet 11 inches.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Cook—That so much of the Report as relates to the circumstances under which the width of Ranwell-street, Old Ford-road, has been formed of 23 feet instead of 24 feet as required by the Board, be approved.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Healey, and seconded—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do advize the Committee as to the powers of the Board in relation to the subject.

The motion having been, by leave of the Board, withdrawn, the amendment was put to the vote as an original motion, and carried in the affirmative; and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved—That Mr. Cook and the District Surveyor of Bow and Poplar be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be re-considered.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Greenwood-road and Wilmot-road, in the Parish of St. John at Hackney, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **A**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 101, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 122, to those on the East side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Wilmot-road, Oxford-villas, Spurstowe-villas, Rose-villas, and any other name or names now in use in Greenwood-road and Wilmot-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Greenwood-road, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of John-street, John-street North, Grundy-street, and Grundy-street East, in the respective Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **B**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 213, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 186, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the names John-street, John-street North, Grundy-street East, Cobourg-cottages, Elm-cottages, Thompson's-cottages, Castle-terrace, King's-terrace, Clarence-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in John-street, John-street North, Grundy-street, and Grundy-street East, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Grundy-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Tetley-street, and Randall-street, in the respective Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now pro-

duced, marked **C**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 85, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 92, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Randall-street, Frederick-place, Ellen-place, and any other name or names now in use in Tetley-street and Randall-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Tetley-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Managemant Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Orchard-street and Willis-street, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **D**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 85, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 78, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Orchard-street, Elizabeth-terrace, Woolsack-place, George's-terrace, Trinity-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Orchard-street and Willis-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Willis-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Chrisp-street, in the respective Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **E**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 161, being assigned to the houses on the Western side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 172, to those on the Eastern side; that such numbers do commence at the Southern end; that the names Alpha-place, Tomlin-terrace, Derwent-terrace, Chapman-place, Prospect-place, Prospect-terrace, Bentley-terrace, Finch-in-field-terrace, Great Brickhill-terrace, Mary Ann-place, and any other name or names now in use in Chrisp-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Chrisp-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Augusta-street, Randall-street, and Upper Randall-street, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **F**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 113, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 110, to those on the East side; that such numbers do commence at the South end; that the names Randall-street, Upper Randall-street, and any other name or names now in use in Augusta-street, Randall-street, and Upper Randall-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Augusta-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Pennyfields, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **G**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 79, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 76, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Pennyfields, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Kerbey-street, in the respective Parishes of All Saints, Poplar, and St. Leonard, Bromley, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **H**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 131, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 140, to those on

the East side; that such numbers do commence at the South end; that the names Boundary-place, James-terrace, Ellerthorp-terrace, Cordelia-terrace, Lee-terrace, Mexican-terrace, Mill-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Kerbey-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Kerbey-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Cook—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of High-street, in the Parish of All Saints, Poplar, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **I**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 315, being assigned to the houses on the North side; and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 338, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the name New-place, and any other name or names now in use in High-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called High-street, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Dacre-park, in the Parish of Lee, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **J**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 33, being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 50, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Francis-terrace, Dacre Park-terrace, Cambridge-terrace, Eton-terrace, Kingswood-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Dacre-park, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Dacre-park, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—

That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare extending from Lee-bridge to Church-lane, and known by the names of Belmont-hill and Lee-lane, in the Parish of Lee, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **K**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 33, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 32, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the names Lee-lane, Cornwall-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Belmont-hill and Lee-lane, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare, between the points indicated, be called Belmont-hill, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare extending from St. Margaret's Church to Lee-park, and known by the name of Lee-lane, in the Parish of Lee, in the County of Kent, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **L**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 61, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the names Lee-lane, Glebe-terrace, Victoria-terrace, Dacre-terrace, and any other name or names, except Lee-terrace, now in use in Lee-lane and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare, between the points indicated, be called Lee-terrace, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Shepherd, seconded by Mr. Long—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Pownall-road, in the Parish of St. Leonard, Shoreditch, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **M**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 139, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 126, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the names Graham-villas, Raglan-terrace, Gresham-terrace, Pownall-cottages, Varna-villas, Montrose-villas, Pownall-terrace, Castle-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Pownall-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that

the whole line of thoroughfare be called Pownall-road, and that notice be given to the Vestry of Shoreditch, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Evans—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Neate-street and Brunswick-road, in the Parish of St. Giles, Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **N**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 205, being assigned to the houses on the North side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 236, to those on the South side; that such numbers do commence at the West end; that the names Brunswick-road, Sun-terrace, Zion-place, Queen's-terrace, Lloyd's-place, Steel's-buildings, Cook's-cottages, Milton-cottages, Dalton's row, Brunswick-terrace, Jones's-terrace, Arlington-terrace, Ralph-terrace, Bronti-place, Neate's-place, Burnham-place, Goulton-cottages, Charles-place, and any other name or names now in use in Neate-street and Brunswick-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Neate-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Giles, Camberwell, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Thistle-grove and Drayton-grove, in the Parish of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **O**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 89, being assigned to the houses on the West side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 88, to those on the East side; that such numbers do commence at the South end; that the names Drayton-grove, Primrose-cottages, and any other name or names now in use in Thistle-grove and Drayton-grove, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Thistle-grove, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary Abbot, Kensington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the irregularly numbered

houses and premises in Montpelier-square, in the Parish of St. Margaret, Westminster, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 8 and ending with 27, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **P**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the number 45 be assigned to the Dairy, as also shown on the said Plan; that the existing irregular numbers be abolished, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Church-road, or Eton-road, in the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 16, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **Q**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that such numbers do commence at the Eastern end; that the name Church-road, and any other name or names now in use in Church-road, or Eton-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Eton-road, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. John, Hampstead, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in London House-yard, in the City of London, be marked with the numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 9, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **R**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; that the existing numbers be abolished; and that notice be given to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Savage—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Baldwin's-gardens, in the Parish of St. Andrew, Holborn, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **S**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 57, being assigned to the houses on the South side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 60, to those on the North side; that such numbers do

commence at the East end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Baldwin's-gardens, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Holborn District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Portpool-lane, in the Parish of Saint Andrew, Holborn, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **T**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 47, being assigned to the houses on the South side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 48, to those on the North side; that such numbers do commence at the East end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Portpool-lane, and that notice be given to the Board of Works for the Holborn District, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Evans—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the names of Penton-place and Canterbury-place, in the Parish of Saint Mary, Newington, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **U**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 153, being assigned to the houses on the Northern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 132, to those on the Southern side; that such numbers do commence at the Western end; that the names Canterbury-place, Penton-terrace, Halford-terrace, Lacey-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Penton-place and Canterbury-place, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Penton-place, and that notice be given to the Vestry of Saint Mary, Newington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolve, and it is hereby **resolved** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Evans—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Albert-street,

in the Parish of Saint Mary, Newington, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **V**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 47, being assigned to the houses on the South-east side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 66, to those on the North-west side; that such numbers do commence at the end nearest Penton-place; that the names Bolton-place, Hardinge-terrace, West-place, and any other name or names now in use in Albert-street, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Albert-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st day of October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Savage—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Brooksby-street, in the Parish of St. Mary, Islington, in the County of Middlesex, be marked with the numbers, as shown by red figures on the Plan now produced, marked **W**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 57, being assigned to the houses on the South side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 68, to those on the North side; that such numbers do commence at the East end; that the existing numbers be abolished; that the whole line of thoroughfare be called Brooksby-street, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Islington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

The Report of the Building Act and General Purposes Committee of the 31st dayof October, 1865, appointed by this Board, having been read and considered, this Board doth, pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, and Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862,

Resolbe, and it is hereby **resolbed** and **ordered**, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Evans—That, for the purpose of distinguishing the same, the several houses and premises in the line of thoroughfare known by the name of Walworth-road, in the Parish of St. Mary, Newington, in the County of Surrey, be marked with the numbers, as shown on the Plan now produced, marked **X**, in lieu of the existing numbers, as shown by red figures on the said Plan; the odd numbers, commencing with 1 and ending with 407,being assigned to the houses on the Eastern side, and the even numbers, commencing with 2 and ending with 398, to those on the Western side; that such numbers do commence at the Northern end; that the names Staverton-row, Black Prince-row, Crown-row, Crown-street, Baker's-row, Saville-place, Saville-row, Chatham-place, York-place, Crosby-row, Beckford-row, Mount-place, Surrey-place, Cumberland-row, Marlborough-place, Terrace, St. George's-place, Amelia-place, Dean's-row, Penton-row, Keene's-row, Walworth-place, Jubilee-place or Charlotte-row, St. Mary's-terrace, and any other name or names now in use in Walworth-road, and the existing numbers, be abolished; that

the whole line of thoroughfare be called Walworth-road, and that notice be given to the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, pursuant to the 87th Section of the said Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862, of this Order.

6. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
7th November, 1865.

Your Committee have to Report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of the Board of the 5th May last, (No. 3), referring it to them "to consider the Resolution "of the Board of the 4th January, 1861, distributing the subordinate Officers of the "Board into Four Classes, and to report whether any, and what alteration should be "made in the Resolution, and generally on the subject." Your Committee have given to this question that consideration which its extent and importance demanded, and have been actuated by the feeling that it was the desire of your Honorable Board that justice should be done to all the Officers of the Establishment. Your Committee directed Returns to be prepared, giving the fullest information as to the various Officers, the positions they respectively occupy, and the salaries they receive. With regard to the plan of Classification adopted by the Board in 1861, it appears to your Committee that it has on the whole worked well, and, after mature deliberation, they have arrived at the conclusion that it is not advisable to make any alteration in the scale then fixed, either as regards the rates of annual increase, or the amounts fixed as the maximum and minimum salaries of the respective Classes. Your Honorable Board, in referring this subject to the Committee for consideration, no doubt did so, with the view of preventing, if possible, the repeated applications of individual Officers for increase of Salaries, which was found to be productive of much inconvenience to the Board. In order to obviate this, it appears to your Committee that it would be very desirable that the subject should be taken into consideration in the month of January in each year, and that the position and salaries of the Officers should then be revised, so that, in the event of any Officer meriting promotion or increase of pay, his case may be dealt with, and thus personal applications to the Board be avoided. Your Committee beg to recommend this course for adoption.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
ED. COLLINSON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Board do, in the month of January in each year, consider the subject of the Salaries and Classification of the subordinate Officers of the Board, with the view of ascertaining whether any, and what, alteration should be made in the position and Salary of any of the Officers.

7. The Chairman having called the attention of the Board to the Correspondence which had taken place with the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, on the subject of laying down their pipes in the Subway in Southwark-street, submitted by the Streets Committee, with their Report presented on Friday last, (No. 9),

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the Correspondence in question, together with that part of the Report of the Streets Committee relating to the subject, be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board, and that copies thereof be sent to all the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

It was moved by Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Cook, and

Resolved—That copies of the same be also sent to the Members of both Houses of Parliament.

8. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
8th November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, by virtue of the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the follow-Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in accordance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Samler (warehouses, St. Andrew's-hill)—	
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Taylor, Hoare, and Taylor) - -	£30 0 0
Re McDougall (No. 17, Addle-hill)—Leasehold interest, and trade compensation—	
Purchase-money for Leasehold interest (Mr. Archibald McDougall, Senior) - - - - -	654 0 0
Trade compensation (Messrs. Archibald McDougall, and Son)	2,146 0 0
Solicitor's Costs (Mr. Geo. Cordwell) - - -	16 11 6
Re Charrington, Head, and Co., (the "Acorn" public-house), Leasehold interest—	
Purchase-money (Messrs. Charrington, Head, and Co.) -	2,000 0 0
Surveyor's fees (Mr. Henry Haines) - - - -	25 0 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
W. H. DALTON.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

9. Mr. Bidgood brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
8th November, 1865.

In pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th November, 1862, (No. 4), your Committee are proceeding with the acquisition of the several properties required for the Thames Embankment (North), and they have now to report that they have drawn the under-mentioned Cheques, for payments in connection with the following claims, viz.—

Re Hensman—Compensation - - - -	£1,053 0 0
Surveyors' fees, (Messrs. Pullen and Horne) - -	18 18 0
Re Luer—	
Surveyor's fees, (Mr. Marrable) - - - -	37 5 0
Re Henderson—	
Surveyor's fees, (Mr. Marrable) - - - -	40 15 0
Ditto (Messrs. Pullen and Horne) - -	35 0 0

Your Committee have also to Report that they have considered the communication from the Contractor for the Thames Embankment Contract, (No. 1), calling attention to the delay occasioned to his works in consequence of the unsettled state of the question as to the proposed Steam-boat Pier at Hungerford-bridge, and requesting the instructions of the Board as to the construction of a temporary Pier on the North side of the Bridge, referred by the Board on the 29th October last, (No. 9). It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that, on the 23rd June last, (No. 24), the Chairman called the attention of the Board to the Correspondence which had taken place between the Board and the Charing-cross Railway Company on the subject of this Pier, and stated that a proposal had been made by your Committee to the Railway Company to refer to arbitration the question of the contribution to be paid by the Company towards the construction of such Pier, which proposal had, however, been declined by the Company. Your Honorable Board thereupon authorized your Committee to give instructions to the Engineer to take such steps as might appear expedient, for proceeding with the works of the Embankment, without constructing a Pier at the Charing-cross Railway-bridge. Your Committee, in conference with your Engineer, have again considered this question. It appears, from the statement of the Engineer, that the formation of the Pier at the spot in question would greatly facilitate the public convenience, and that if it should be determined not to make the Pier, the general appearance of the Embankment works would be greatly damaged. Your Committee therefore think that the works for the formation of the Pier should proceed, and they recommend that the Engineer be so instructed.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
WM. NEWTON.
SILAS TAYLOR.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That the Engineer do proceed with the construction of the Pier at Hungerford-bridge, as shown upon the Plan of the Thames Embankment.

10. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the motions, notice of which is inserted in the paper of business of this day, be now considered.

11. It was then moved by Mr. Saunders, seconded by Mr. Bidgood, and

Resolved—" That it be referred to the Streets Committee, to consider, if any, and if so, " what, alterations or improvements could be made in the premises of the Board, for the " greatest utility of public business, and the convenience of the Members."

12. It was moved by Mr. Peckett, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—" That the Board having, under the provisions of the Finsbury Park Act, " 1857, purchased the land required for the purposes of the Park, it be referred to the

"Streets Committee, to consider and report as to the steps to be taken for laying out the "Park, and dedicating it to public use.

13. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 10th November, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
NEWINGTON.				
Charles-street, Brandon-street	480	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
SAINT PANCRAS.				
North-villas, Camden-square .	350	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	Level of sewer to O.D. 126.43.
St. Augustine's-road, Camden-square	220	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
MARYLEBONE.				
Rear of houses in Marylebone-road, between York-place and the workhouse . .	256 80	12 inch 9 ,,	pipe ,,	The same as applied for.

It was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th November, 1865, recommending that application be made to the First Commissioner of Her Majesty's Works, &c., and to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Woods and Forests, for permission to deviate the line of the Embankment Roadway, near Westminster-bridge, from the limits defined on the Crown Plans, referred to in the Thames Embankment Act, 1862.

It was **moved** by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration, and that they do also consider and report as to the formation of a better approach to the Embankment.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th November, 1865, recommending the purchase of a small plot of land, in order to provide wharfage accommodation at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

16. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
9th November, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 8th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - -	2,717	...
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - -	...	...
	2,717	...

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 8th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - - -	102,346	160,720
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	109,210	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 280,106 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. A. Wilson, on behalf of Mr. Goodhart, complaining of the flooding of the premises, No. 91, Leman-street, Whitechapel, arising from the fact that, when the new sewer in that street was constructed, and the old one abandoned, the gullies were not connected with the new sewer, but continued to drain into the old one, which ultimately became choked and caused the water to flow back into the basement of the premises; stating that the new sewer was one of the Board's Main lines, and was constructed by the Tower Hamlets Commissioners of Sewers in 1843, and that the question arose whether this Board was liable for the act of the Commissioners, in not connecting the street gullies and house drains with the new sewer, at the time of its construction.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That it be referred to the Solicitor, to report as to the liability of the Board.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. G. Wagnell, applying for compensation for alleged loss and inconvenience sustained by the construction of a side-entrance in front of his premises in Windsor-street, Putney, for the purposes of the Low Level Sewer; stating that, for the flooding of the claimant's cellar and damage to his goods in the execution of the works, the Contractor would be liable, and that a copy of the letter had been sent to him for attention, but that with regard to the claim for inconvenience from the position of the side entrance, that position was pointed out by the Parish Surveyor as the most eligible, and that, as the entrance would be but very seldom open, the complainant need apprehend little, if any, inconvenience from it.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to Mr. Wagnell.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th November, 1865, on letters from Mr. S. Saw, on behalf of Mr. W. Forrest, with reference to alleged injury sustained by his child through the insecure fastening of a side-entrance flap in Chester-street, Greenwich, setting forth the facts of the case, and recommending the Board not to admit their liability to any claim in respect of the injury referred to.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Mr. Saw.

20. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th November, 1865, on a letter from the Fulham District Board of Works, urging this Board to construct the proposed main line of sewer along High-street, Fulham; stating that, as the Main Drainage line of sewer for the Fulham District had been completed up to near Fulham-bridge, along Bridge-street, and was in action, the proposed line could now be constructed; that the length of the latter would be about 930 feet, and the size, 3′ 9″ × 2′ 6″, and that, as it was a small work, it could be the most conveniently included with that for the Grove, Hammersmith, the Contract drawings for which were now in course of preparation, and recommending that course for adoption.

Resolved—That the Report be approved and acted upon, and that the Fulham District Board of Works be informed that it is the intention of this Board to construct the sewer in High-street, Fulham, as soon as the requisite Contract Drawings are prepared, and the works let.

21. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 9th November, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Rotherhithe for permission to stop up part of Rotherhithe-street, near Hanover-stairs, for six days, for the purpose of repairing the carriage-way, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing the said work, for the period recommended by the Engineer; such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

22. The Solicitor reported, with respect to the Loan about to be made to the Board by the Bank of England, for the purpose of the re-payment of a former loan obtained in 1858, for the purposes of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication, that the Counsel of the Bank required that, in accordance with a proviso in the Covent Garden Approach Act, 1857, a Minute of the Board should be produced, recording the fact of the exhaustion of the proceeds of certain Exchequer Bills handed over to the Board for the purposes of the Act.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the following Minute, which he had prepared for the purpose.

Resolved—That the said Minute be approved, and that it be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and it is entered accordingly—

At a Board held this 10th day of November, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-five,

It was MOVED and seconded, and

RESOLVED—That with reference to the proposed Loan from the Bank of England, it having become necessary that the following Minute be entered,

It is RESOLVED and ORDERED—That a Minute be made as hereunder written (*i.e.*)—

Be it remembered that, between the 12th day of December, 1857, and the 2nd day of June, 1859, the Metropolitan Board of Works received from the Commissioners of Works the Exchequer Bills, Interest, and Cash referred to in the 57th and 58th Sections of the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication Act, 1857. That the same Exchequer Bills were sold, and the proceeds of such Exchequer Bills, Interest, and Cash, and the Interest accruing from such Exchequer Bills, amounted to the sum of £96,643 10s. 11d., and the whole of that sum was, on or before the 30th December, 1859, applied by the Board for the purpose of the said Improvement, pursuant to the said Act, and exhausted.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Agreement with the South Western Railway Company, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd September last, (No. 13), with reference to carrying the proposed line of the Heathwall Sewer under that Railway, and through the Company's land at Nine Elms.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

24. Read a Report, as follows—

SAVILLE HOUSE.—METROPOLITAN BUILDING ACT, 1855.

The Summons taken out against Mr. Rigby, the Builder, for non-compliance with several Sections under this Act, came on for hearing before Mr. Barker, the Magistrate sitting at the Marlborough-street Police Court, on the 3rd November instant.

The Board was represented by Mr. Raymond (on behalf of Mr. Kendall, the District Surveyor).

The Defendant's Counsel was Mr. Sleigh.

The Magistrate ordered that the professional questions arising should be agreed upon within a week, and submitted to Mr. Reeves, the Chief Surveyor of Police under the Dangerous Structures Act, and adjourned the Summons until the 2nd December next, by which day Mr. Reeves was to be prepared with his Report for the decision of Mr. Knox, the Magistrate who would then sit to adjudicate upon the Summons.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

25. The Solicitor stated that he had prepared a Report on the subject of the enclosure of the space in the centre of Trafalgar-square, White Horse-lane, in the Hamlet of Mile End Old Town, by which the width of the street around the square would be less than 40 feet; and he laid the same before the Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, with power to deal with the matter.

26. Read a Report, as follows—

HAWES *v.* THE BOARD.

I communicated to the Solicitor of Mr. Moxon the intention of the Board, under Mr. Raymond's advice, to pay the claim and costs, but that if Mr. Moxon wished to raise the points, the Board would consent to his doing so. Mr. Moxon, it appears, is ill, but his Solicitor protests against this course, and asks the Board to plead, so as to raise the points. I have applied for further time to plead, but if I shall not be able to get time beyond next Friday, will the Board instruct me whether I am to act on Mr. Raymond's advice, and stay the action on payment of the debt and costs, or what directions will the Board be pleased to give?

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Solicitor do act on the advice of Mr. Raymond, and that the action be stayed, unless further time to plead be obtained.

27. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Report, dated 10th November, 1865, as to the responsibility of the Sureties proposed by Mr. T. Pearson, for the due execution of the contract for covering-over, &c., the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and Putney Boundary Main Sewers, his Tender for which was accepted by the Board on the 3rd instant, (No. 8.)

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a form of Order for extending the powers of the Streets Committee, so as to enable them to effect sales of property in the line of Southwark-street, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 3rd instant, (No, 9), as follows—

Ordered—That, pursuant to the Covent Garden Approach and Southwark and Westminster Communication Act, 1857, and for giving more full effect to the same with respect to the matters hereinafter-mentioned and delegated, and until further order, and subject to any further delegation or variation from time to time, it be referred to the Committee in execution of, and according to, the said Act (*i.e.*), the Streets Committee, to sell any lands and property not wanted for the purposes of the said Act, and any ground or rents and interests in land or property, and to treat for, and sell and dispose of, any such lands, property, estates, and interests by private Contract, public Auction, or otherwise, with power to vary, or alter, rescind, or deal with any Contracts, and again to sell, as from time to time the Committee may deem necessary, and make all arrangements, and execute, whether under Seal or not, Contracts, Agreements, Arbitrations, Deeds, Instruments and Acts, connected with the execution of the provisions of the Act under these heads, as fully as the Board itself is empowered to do, with reference to the carrying out the powers of Sale and disposition under the same Act.

Resolved—That the foregoing form of Order be approved, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

29. Read a Report, as follows—

BUILDING ACT COMMITTEE.

It will be remembered that, last year, the Board referred it to the Building Act Committee to take steps with reference to an amendment of the Act. The Committee prepared a Bill, and it was much discussed; but owing to the various suggestions, and the state of the business of the Session, the Bill was not taken into the House.

It was suggested, at the last Meeting of the Committee, that it would be right for me to call the attention of the Board to the subject, with a view to the Committee renewing the subject in the ensuing Session; and probably the Board will wish to refer it to the Committee, and to give them authority to proceed upon the reference already made.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the Report be approved, and that the matter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration.

30. Read a Report as follows, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 3rd instant, (No. 21), relative to an unauthorized entry made into the Southern High Level Sewer, at Lordship-lane, Dulwich, by Mr. J. W. Sawyer—

Re SAWYER.

In this case it seems to me that the Engineer's suggestion of calling upon Mr. Sawyer, to explain his conduct in connecting a drain with a sewer, without the leave of the Board, is important.

I doubt if the case be quite complete enough to justify any serious proceedings, but it appears to me that Mr. Sawyer did an unlawful act. I have prepared a form of summons for him to attend next Friday, to show cause why he should not be dealt with according to law, and if the Board wish this to be acted upon it will be necessary to affix the Seal to the summons, unless the Board should think it might be sufficient for me to write a strong letter to Mr. Sawyer, to intimate to him that he has infringed the Act, and that if any such offence were repeated, the Board would certainly put in force the law against him.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Hall—That the Report be approved, and that the Solicitor do address a letter to Mr. Sawyer, calling his attention to the illegal act he has committed, and stating that, if the offence be repeated, the Board will proceed against him.

31. The Solicitor reported that the conveyance to the Hop and Malt Exchange and Warehouse Company of the plots of ground in Southwark-street, which was approved by the Board and the Deed sealed on the 3rd instant, (No. 9), was now completed, and that the purchase-money and other sums payable, amounting to £18,352 3s. 10d., had been received by the Accountant of the Board.

32. The Solicitor reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 28th July last, (No. 9), he had taken the necessary steps for quashing the rate, made in default, on the Parish of Chiswick, in respect of the apportionment of the mortgage debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.

Resolved—That it be referred to the Finance Committee, to consider and report as to the further steps necessary to be taken.

33. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens, S. W.,
November 8th, 1865.

MODEL BILL.

The Private Bill Office has lately issued a form of Bill for the guidance of Promoters of Railway and other Bills. I present a copy of it.

I think the Bill will be of little service to this Board as enabling it to prepare any Bill relating to undertakings of the Board, but I think it may be important to refer this Bill at once to the Engineer. Under the Standing Orders, the Promoters in the Metropolis have merely to deposit Plans and Sections with the Board; they need deposit no copy of the "Gazette" Notice, so that the Engineer has to wait until the end of December before he can see the Bill. The Bill very often contains provisions which may affect the Board, and which the Plans may not necessarily disclose. I think it would be well for the Board to authorize the Engineer to get a copy of the "Gazette" Notice referring to every Plan which may be deposited, and such "Gazette" Notice may disclose pretty nearly the substance of the contents of the Bill.

The Model refers to the incorporation of the Railway Clauses Act, and these incorporated Clauses should be looked to, to see that there are no powers conferred greater than the deposited Plan shows as affecting the Board's Sewers. As a general rule, the Board has not looked to tolls charged by Companies. I would suggest that the Engineer be instructed to look to this in all Metropolitan Bills as the Board might wish, in the interest of the public, to see that no improper impositions are placed upon the Metropolis.

There are in the Bill clauses especially as to the crossing of roads on the level, inclination of roads, and the height and span of bridges, and as to the labouring classes. The Engineer of the Board has always reported upon these matters, but the present mode of framing the clauses may afford facilities for checking the Plans, and the Clauses might enable Promoters possibly to get in their Bills some provisions which the Plans would not (or at least the Sections) quite fully develop.

As the time is now shortened, and the practice is altered, I would take leave to suggest that, as soon as the Engineer has examined any Plan and Bill, he should be requested to supply me with his remarks, without waiting for the examination of the whole, so that I may have an opportunity to examine the Bill, and prepare, in good time, any Petition for the consideration of the Board; the altered rule is, that Petitions must be presented seven days in the Lords, and ten days in the Commons, after the first reading, and not, as before, after the second reading, and if there are any Bills of an objectionable character, the Board should have an opportunity to present a Petition against the second reading, where the Board might object to a Bill in principle, and so save great expense, as to future stages of a Bill.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the Model Bill referred to in the Report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That the Report be approved, and that the Engineer do carry out the suggestions contained therein.

34. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Baxter, Rose and Co., dated 8th November, 1865, stating that the Pneumatic Despatch Company were desirous of arranging, amicably, the dispute as to the position of the Company's tube in High Holborn, and requesting that the Engineer might attend on Monday, when the Company proposed to open the ground, in order to arrange a difficulty that existed as to the removal of the tube.

Resolved—That the request of Messrs. Baxter, Rose and Co. be acceded to; that the Engineer do attend the Meeting on Monday, without prejudice to the Board, and that the Solicitor do, in the mean time, stay proceedings against the Company.

35. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Vestry Clerk, Camberwell, dated 27th October, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing by the Vestry of the sum of £26,000, for the construction of Sewerage works in the Parish, the principal to be repaid by thirty annual instalments, with interest thereon at £5 per cent.; and a further letter, dated 1st November, 1865, forwarding particulars as to the financial condition of the Parish.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letters be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

36. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. C. Lahee, Vestry Clerk, Chelsea, dated 27th October, 1865, forwarding a printed copy of a Report to that Vestry from their Committee on the subject of the Chelsea Embankment and Western Drainage, and a copy of the resolutions of the Vestry thereon, and requesting to be informed whether the work would, or would not, be undertaken by this Board as a Metropolitan public improvement.

37. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Vestry Clerk, Camberwell, dated 31st October, 1865, calling attention to the evasion, by running dustmen, of the 89th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, by giving false names and addresses, or refusing to give their names, and requesting the Board to obtain legislative relief to the Parishes upon the matter.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

38. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Herbert Sturmy, Clerk to the St. Saviour's District Board of Works, dated 2nd November, 1865, calling attention to the non-removal by the Board of the Clock Tower at the foot of London-bridge; and also urging the Board to proceed with the formation of the proposed Park in Bermondsey.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration in connection with the general reference on the subject of Southwark Park.

39. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. George Allen, Clerk to the Vestry of St. Ann, Soho, dated 6th November, 1865, forwarding a copy of a Memorial from Inhabitants of Leicester-square, calling attention to nuisances alleged to be existing in the square, and requesting this Board to take the matter into consideration, with a view to remedying the grievances complained of.

Resolved—That the said letter be refered to the Superintending Architect, for a report.

40. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. William Webster, Contractor, dated 3rd November, 1865, acknowledging the receipt of a copy of a letter addressed by Messrs. Linklater and Hackwood to this Board, on the subject of certain injuries alleged to have been occasioned to the buildings of the Britannia India Rubber Works, by the excavations for the Northern Low Level Sewer, requesting the Board to communicate with the owners, with a view of a day being appointed upon which he might meet them, or their Surveyor, together with Mr. Cooper, if requisite, to determine what might be necessary to be done towards the re-instatement of the premises.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the request of Mr. Webster be complied with, and that a communication be forwarded to Messrs. Linklater and Hackwood, accordingly.

41. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Capt. Burstal, Secretary, Thames Conservancy, dated 7th November, 1865, calling attention to the outstanding accounts for material supplied for the Thames Embankment (North side), and requesting that a Cheque might be drawn in payment thereof; and he also laid before the Board a Certificate by the Engineer, dated 2nd November, 1865, stating that the balance of the amount due to the Conservators for materials, &c., to August last, inclusive, was £4,349 7s. 11d.

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £4,349 7s. 11d., in payment of the said Accounts; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, accordingly.

42. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Samuel Edwards, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board of Works, dated 7th November, 1865, calling attention to the inconvenience arising from the formation of new streets without a name being assigned to them, and suggesting a remedy for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That Mr. Brooker be invited to attend the Meeting of the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

43. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. H. Morgan, Secretary to the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, dated 7th November, 1865, requesting that the Company's tenancy of the piece of land, near the Outfall at Barking, might commence in January next, instead of at Michaelmas last, and that, in consideration of the present rough state of the ground, a lower rent per acre might be taken.

Resolved—That the said letter, together with the proposed Agreement for letting the land in question, which had been prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 13th October last, (No. 2), be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

44. The Clerk laid before the Board a copy, in duplicate, of the Order of the Board passed this day, (No 5), for the re-numbering and re-naming of Greenwood-road and Wilmot-road, in the Parish of Saint John at Hackney, together with copies of the Plan referred to in such Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that one copy thereof be forwarded to the Board of Works for the Hackney District; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

45. The Clerk laid before the Board the form of Order, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 20th October last, (No. 11), for declaring the Sewer, about to be built by the Midland Railway Company at Camden Town, to be a Main Sewer, as follows—

Whereas, it has been made to appear to the Metropolitan Board of Works that a certain sewer within the limits of the Metropolis, as defined by the Act of the 19th year of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis, which sewer is not vested in the said Board, in or by the said Act, that is to say, the sewer in Saint Paul's-road, Camden Town, in the County of Middlesex, between the points C and B, shown on the Plan now submitted to the said Board, ought to be considered a Main Sewer, and to be under the management of the said Board. Now, therefore, it is **ordered,** pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, by the said Board, that the said sewer between the said points, C and B be, and the same is hereby, declared to be a Main Sewer. And, **whereas,** it has been made to appear to the said Board, that the sewer about to be constructed from the before-mentioned point B, on the said Plan, to the point A, and shown on the said Plan by the dotted red line, ought, when constructed (to the satisfaction of the Board, and according to an Order of the Board of the 3rd day of February, 1865,) to be considered a Main sewer, and to be under the management of the said Board. Now, therefore, it is **ordered** by the said Board that the said sewer, from the said point B to the point A, shown on the said Plan, be, and the same, when so constructed in manner aforesaid, is hereby declared to be, a Main sewer, in the same manner as the portion of the sewer so shown on the said Plan from the letters C to B.

Resolved—That the said form of Order be approved.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order, in duplicate, together with copies of the Plan referred to therein.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order and duplicate, and Plans, and that one copy thereof be forwarded to the Vestry of Saint Pancras; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. The Board further considered the application of the Vestry of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green, for the sanction of the Board to their borrowing the sum of £20,000, for the execution of certain paving works in the Parish, whereupon it was **resolved** and **ordered** as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green, in the County of Middlesex, have, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction to the borrowing and taking up at interest by the said Vestry of the sum of £20,000, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said Vestry in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, the same being for the purpose of paving certain footways in the said Parish, the said Vestry proposing to pave such of the said footways in the said Parish as were not then paved. The said sum to be borrowed on the credit of the Rates authorized to be raised in the said Parish by the said Vestry, under the said Acts. **And Whereas,** this Board having duly considered the matter, it was resolved, that the application of the Vestry of Bethnal Green, for permission to borrow the sum of £20,000, for the purpose of paving the footways in the Parish, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments, within a period of 20 years, and the rate of interest not to exceed £5 per cent. per annum. Therefore, it is **ordered** that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the

said Vestry of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green, of the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, Royal Exchange, London, on the security of the rates of the said Parish of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £20,000, in one or in several sums, for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of paving, at a rate of interest not exceeding five pounds per cent. per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by twenty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a copy of the foregoing Order.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that it be transmitted to the Vestry of Saint Matthew, Bethnal Green; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Mayhew and Knight, on behalf Mr. W. H. Castle, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the house, No. 1, Mall-terrace, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed addition be kept to the height of the ground story of the house, and that the erection, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Augustus B. Smith, on behalf of Mr. H. F. Foy, for the consent of the Board to the erection of four houses with shops, on the North side of the Fulham-road, West Brompton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed houses be set 3 feet back from the present inner line of the paving; that the ground so given up be conveyed to the Vestry of Kensington for improving the footway, and that the erections, in other respects, be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Evans, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses in the Old Ford-road, at the corner of Beale-road, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed houses next Beale-road be kept in a line with that of existing houses Southward of the same; and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Clark and Mannooch, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an enclosed portico to the house No. 22, Portland-place, St. Marylebone, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the amended application of Mr. Charles Batchelder, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the house, No. 44½, Farringdon-road, Clerkenwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Tanner, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hill and Paraire, on behalf of Simpson's Dining-rooms, &c., Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two enclosed bridges across Herbert's-passage, Strand, from the dining rooms and divan, to the buildings in the rear, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the application be not granted.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Welby Pugin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two buttresses to the new front of a church in Hoxton-square, Shoreditch, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Porters and Markham, on behalf of Mr. Butler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a public-house on the West side of Blue Anchor-lane, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Ware, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house No. 14, Bexley-place, Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Richardson—That the application be not granted.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Buckingham, for the consent of the Board to the erection of twelve shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 1 to 4, No. 11, and Nos. 14 to 20, Brunswick-terrace, Wells-street, Homerton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed line of frontage be kept back to the line of the fence on the Northern side of Arthur-street, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward S. Ellis, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stone balcony to the house, No. 63, Lower Grosvenor-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed balcony be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Mitchell, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of his house in Lewis-grove, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. B. Peart, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a row of shops in front of nine houses, in Goldsmith's-row, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Harrison, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops at the corner of Maitland-park Road and Fitzroy-road, Haverstock-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Healey, and

Resolved—That so much of the application as relates to the proposed house, at the corner of Fitzroy-road and Maitland-park Road, be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; and that so much of the application as relates to the shops proposed to be built in advance of the six new houses in Fitzroy-road, be not granted.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house at the corner of Englefield and Hertford roads, Hackney, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two houses in Robert-street, at the corner of Rowsell-street, Bow-common, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. John Lloyd, on behalf of the Board of Works for the Hackney District, relative to the erection of a shop in Mare-street, Hackney, without the consent of the Board, but in a line with other buildings in the immediate vicinity.

Resolved on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. N. Cott, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 344, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the frontage of the proposed shop be kept to a line drawn from No. 342 to 350; that its elevation do range in height and character with those of the shops at Nos. 342 and 340, adjoining, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

65. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Watts, on behalf of Mrs. Badderly, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a covered way in front of the house, No. 5, Onslow-square, Brompton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 31st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Jennings, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 5A and 6A, Belvedere-road, Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. K. Pitts, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house No. 227, Goswell-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground in front of the proposed shop be added to the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Elkington, on behalf of H. L. Taylor, Esq., for the consent of the Board to the erection of an ornamental wooden entrance porch, to his house in Anerley-road, Penge, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, on behalf of Mr. C. H. Muddock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Smith's-terrace, Hornsey-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. W. Crabb, for the consent of the Board to the erection of one story buildings on the fore-court of his house, No. 20, North-place, Kingsland-road, on the side next to John-street, Shoreditch, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the new work be set back 20 feet from the centre of the street; that the ground outside of such front be added to the public way, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. P. Wren, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bow-window to the house, No. 10, Cleave-place, Larkhall-lane, Lambeth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed window be limited to the ground story of the house, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Bone, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house at the South end of Crozier-terrace, Homerton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be not granted.

73. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Bradfield, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the ground in front of his house, No. 34, Andover-road, Hornsey-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the proposed shop be kept in a line with the advanced houses and shops Westward of Reform-street, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

74. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Berriman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on

the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 5 and 6, Alfred-terrace, St. George's-road, Peckham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be not granted.

75. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. T. Randall, for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings in Park-road, and North-road, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That so much of the application as relates to the shops in Park-road, be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; that so much of the application as relates to the proposed building frontage in North-road be not granted, and that the applicant be informed that such frontage must be kept to the line of the adjoining six houses, belonging to Mr. Darke.

76. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Bullock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 270, Vauxhall Bridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

77. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert H. Capps, for the approval by the Board of the construction of eaves to three pairs of semi-detached villas in Park-road, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the soffits be covered with Portland cement one inch in thickness, and that the party-walls be corbelled out to stop the continuity of the eaves, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

78. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. G. Larke, for the approval by the Board of the erection of cart-sheds, in the Lewisham-road, with materials of a temporary nature, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

79. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Shoppee, on behalf of Messrs. Pontifex and Sons, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at their premises in York-road, King's Cross.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

80. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Richardson, on behalf of Mr. French, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a summer-house in the garden behind his house, No. 41, Great Marlborough-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the upright irons be securely bolted to iron sills and roof-plates, and that the work be put together and fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

81. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. F. Young, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a projecting water closet, at No. 128, Aldersgate-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted, on condition that the work be carried out to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

82. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. R. Wales, on behalf of Mr. Middleton, for an extension of time sanctioned by the Board on the 16th January last, (No. 15), for the use of an iron building for a cooperage, on land West of the Viaduct of the North London Railway, in Worship-street, Shoreditch.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the time for the use of the building in question be extended for six calendar months, on condition that the erection be not enlarged.

83. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Brown, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a water closet, at the rear of No. 77, Regent-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Clark—That the application be granted, on condition that the structure be supported and fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

84. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Mansfield and Son, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a staircase, at the rear of the house, No. 3, Parliament-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

85. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Andrew Wilson, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an iron funnel, for the transmission of sugar, across Thomas-street, St. George-in-the-East, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

86. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. Salmon, for the approval by the Board of the materials of a temporary wooden building, erected for an Office, at No. 16, Spa-road, Bermondsey.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be not granted.

87. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Dagnall, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimey-shaft, at Farm-lane, Walham-green.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

88. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Johnson and Sons, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at No. 5, Lamb's-passage, Bunhill-row.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

89. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Fuller, for the approval by the Board of the construction of the ends of their barge-building warehouses, at Lion Wharf, Millwall, with corrugated iron work, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the corrugated iron covering be fixed to a sufficient number of angle iron standards, secured to top and bottom iron plates, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

90. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. Wallis, for the approval by the Board of a window in the wall of the house, No. 57, St. James's-place, Plumstead, abutting upon a covered gateway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the applicant be informed that the matter is one entirely between himself and the District Surveyor; and that the District Surveyor be also informed to the like effect.

91. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on the amended application of Mr. William Flint, for the approval by the Board of the site of a house at Stoke Newington, in the thoroughfare leading from Stamford-hill to Newington-common, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the vacant ground in front of the said house be added to the public way.

92. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Chester Cheston, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the re-building of Robinson's-row, Kingsland, and the formation and widening of certain streets on land at the rear of the same, and of the name "Mark's-road" for one of the said streets.

It was **moved** by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Newton—That Mr. Tanner be invited to attend the Meeting of the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

93. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st November, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Dickens, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road in continuation of Linsey-street, to connect Lucey-road with Blue Anchor-lane, Bermondsey, and of the name "Linsey-street" for the same.

Resolved on the **motion** of Mr. Long—That the application be granted.

94. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Pawley, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four roads of the width of 40 feet, on land at the corner of Croydon-road and High-street, Penge.

Resolved—That the further consideration of the application be adjourned until Friday next, and that in the mean time the applicant be requested to submit names for the roads in question.

95. **Resolved** and **ordered**—That no Plan for the formation of new Streets under the Bye-laws of this Board, and Sections 98 and 99 of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, 1862, which may be submitted for the approval of this Board, be sanctioned, unless the applicant do, at the same time, submit the Names proposed to be given to such streets.

96. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Porters and Markham, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of two roads of the width of 40 feet each, except beneath the South-Eastern Railway, where they will be about 37 feet 6 inches, to lead out of Blue Anchor-road, Bermondsey, and for the formation of a short piece of road opening into Spa-road, of the width of 33 feet.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Long—That the application be granted, on condition that the short piece of road proposed to be made 33 feet wide, be made of the width of 40 feet.

97. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th October, 1865, relative to the formation of the footway known as Warburton-square, near the Triangle, Mare-street, Hackney, sanctioned by the Board on the 21st February, 1862, (No. 73), without the same being flagged, in accordance with the condition annexed to such sanction.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Tanner—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

98. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. T. W. Ratcliff, on behalf of the Board of Works for the Limehouse District, for the re-numbering of the houses in Bromley-street, Commercial-road, Ratcliff.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

99. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st October, 1865, on the application of Messrs. C. H. Acock and Son, for the approval by the Board of the name "Vestry-road" for a new street at Camberwell, opposite the Vestry Hall, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 3rd March last, (No. 56).

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the said name be approved.

100. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the complaint of Mr. Edward Haslewood, of inconvenience caused by the repetition of the names "Bartholomew-road," and "St. Bartholomew-road," Kentish Town.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

101. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 2nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. L. Howell, on behalf of the Vestry of St. George-in-the-East, for the

re-numbering of the houses in Hungerford-street, Upper Fenton-street, Lower Fenton-street, Jane-street, Little Turner-street, Buross-street, Richard-street, Kinder-street, Barnett-street, Joseph-street, and Salter-street.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

102. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th November, 1865, on the application of Captain Douglas Labalmondiere, for the appointment by the Board of Fees for Special Services, in relation to Dangerous Structures.

Resolved and **ordered**—That Fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board and numbered from 1 to 30, inclusive, and also specified in the summary of such Accounts, now presented to this Board, and signed by the Chairman, be paid to Mr. Charles Reeves, the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, for services performed by him in respect of Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London; such services being the surveying and reporting, by direction of the said Commissioner, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, on structures reported to be in a dangerous state; and also Special Services performed by him in cases in which Special Services have been required to be performed under the second part of the said Act, and for which no fees are specified in the second part of the second Schedule to the said Act.

Resolved and **ordered**—That Fees amounting to the several sums specified in the Accounts now presented to this Board, and numbered from 1 to 29, inclusive, and also specified in the summary of such Accounts, now presented to this Board, and signed by the Chairman, be paid to Mr. Charles Reeves, the Surveyor appointed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, for services performed by him in respect of Dangerous Structures in the Metropolis, not being within the City of London; such services being the surveying and reporting, by direction of the said Commissioner, under the second part of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, on structures reported to be in a dangerous state; and also Special Services performed by him in cases in which special services have been required to be performed under the second part of the said Act, and for which no fees are specified in the second part of the second Schedule to the said Act.

103. The Superintending Architect reported, that Mr. H. E. Kendall, Surveyor of the District of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, and St. Ann, Soho, had changed his Office from No. 1, Spring-gardens, to No. 10, King William-street West, Strand.

Resolved—That the situation of the said Office be approved.

104. The following **Notice of Motion** was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Brooker, (No. 257). As to introducing Deputation from Ratepayers of Plumstead, with reference to Fees paid to the Surveyor by the Local Board.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 17th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 41.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **17th** day of **November,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Edward Shepherd, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
William Tite, Esq., M.P.

1 The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 10th November instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Ratepayers of the Parish of Plumstead, introduced by Mr. Brooker, attended the Board and presented a Petition, complaining, among other things, of certain expenses which had been charged by the Surveyor of the Parish and allowed by the District Board of Works, for materials and assistance in the discharge of the duties of his office, and soliciting that this Board would take immediate steps for disconnecting the Parish from the other Parishes forming the Plumstead District Board of Works, and for establishing for Plumstead a separate Board of Works for all the purposes of the Metropolis Local Management Acts, and to aid the Ratepayers in requiring the Surveyor

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to perform the duties of his office at his original salary of £200 per annum, without fees, or to resign his office. The Deputation consisted of Mr. Badcock, Mr. Macartny, Mr. Rissfield, Mr. Barrett, Mr. Gould, and Mr. Benstead.

The Petition having been read,

The Chairman informed the Deputation that the Board had no jurisdiction in respect of the payments made by the District Board of Works, and that it would require legislative authority to establish a separate Board of Works for the Parish of Plumstead.

The Deputation then retired.

3. Mr. Carpmael handed in a letter from Mr. Corsellis, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, dated 16th November, 1865, complaining of the slow progress of the works for the re-construction of the Falcon Brook Sewer, and requesting the immediate interference of this Board in the matter.

The Engineer laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Moxon, the Contractor for the works in question, dated 16th November, 1865, stating that arrangements were in progress, and would be completed in a few days, for the works being proceeded with in a satisfactory manner, and soliciting the indulgence of the Board, in consequence of the state of his health.

It was **moved** by Mr. Carpmael, seconded by Mr. Freeman, and

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

4. The Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders for erecting Hoards, Fans, Shoring, &c., for the new line of thoroughfare extending from Westminster-bridge to the Mansion House, received in reply to the Advertisements issued by direction of the Streets Committee of the 25th October, last, (No. 2).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders were then opened, as follows—

Works required.	Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street, Hackney-road.			Mr. J. W. Brooker, No. 112, New Kent-road.			Mr. W. W. Johnson, No. 32, Bush-lane, and No. 14, Old Fish-street.			Mr. R. Robinson, No. 15, Upper Stamford-street, Blackfriars.			Mr. James Hinton, No. 221, Strand.			Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road.			Messrs. John Perry & Co., Broadway, Stratford, Essex.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
For the hoards, including all works in connection with the same, at per foot run	0	5	6	0	2	0	0	1	9	0	2	9	0	2	0	0	2	4	0	2	6
For the fans, at per foot run . .	0	2	9	0	0	10	0	1	3	0	2	6	0	1	0	0	0	10	0	2	4
For each pair of gates, including hinges and fastenings, at per pair . .	2	6	0	0	16	0	0	15	9	1	7	6	0	15	0	1	2	6	1	5	0
For providing and fixing the shoring as described, at per foot cube . .	0	2	6	0	2	4	0	3	0	0	2	6	0	2	6	0	2	9	0	2	6
Allowance for the hoarding after it has been removed, at per foot run . .	0	1	0	0	1	5	0	0	9	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	10	0	0	7

Work required.	Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street, Hackney-road.			Mr. J. W. Brooker, No. 112, New Kent-road.			Mr. W. W. Johnson, No. 32, Bush-lane, and No. 14, Old Fish-street.			Mr. R. Robinson, No. 15, Upper Stamford-street, Blackfriars.			Mr James Hinton, No. 221, Strand.			Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No. 203, Whitechapel-road.			Messrs. John Perry & Co., Broadway, Stratford, Essex.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Allowance for the fans after they have been removed, at per foot run . .	0	0	6	0	0	3	0	0	7	0	0	6		...		0	0	4	0	0	6
Allowance for each pair of gates after they have been removed, at per foot run	0	1	0	0	1	9	0	6	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	0
Allowance for the shoring after it has been removed, at per foot cube .	0	0	9	0	1	5	0	1	6	0	0	7½	0	1	2	0	0	10	0	0	7
For providing notice boards, including all works in connection with the same, each	5	10	0	3	10	0	3	15	0	5	8	0	6	6	0	3	12	0	5	6	0
No. 16 gauge hoop iron 1½ inch wide, including fixing, at per yard run .	0	0	3	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	3½	0	0	1	0	0	2
For writing on board "Egyptian" letters, not exceeding 4 inches in height, at per letter	0	0	9	0	0	0½	0	0	1	0	0	2½	0	0	2½	0	0	1¼	0	0	4
Ditto ditto 8-inch do., at per letter	0	1	6	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	4	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	8
Ditto ditto plain sloping letters, not exceeding 4 inches in height, at per letter	0	0	7½	0	0	0½	0	0	0¾	0	0	2	0	0	2½	0	0	1¼	0	0	4
Ditto 8-inch do. do., at per letter	0	1	3	0	0	1	0	0	1½	0	0	3	0	0	4	0	0	2	0	0	8

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the said Tenders be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,

13th November, 1865.

It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that two of the Cheques drawn on the 4th of August last, and deposited at the Bank of London, for payment to the Contractors during the recess, viz., one in favor of Mr. Webster for £5,000, and one in favor of Mr. Moxon for, £200, were not required, and the Bank were accordingly requested to return the two Cheques in question. This having been done, it becomes necessary that the Cheques should be cancelled; and your Committee recommend—

That they be cancelled accordingly.

Your Committee beg to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and have ascertained that the Cash Account is as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 11th November, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 11th November, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	7,433 17 4	90,000 0 0	97,433 17 4	5 0 0	153 14 10	158 14 10
Covent Garden Approach	670 18 8	.....	670 18 8	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	1,247 11 5	20,852 3 10	22,099 15 3	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	75 19 6	.....	75 19 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	165 1 7	.....	165 1 7	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	2,547 11 7	7,500 0 0	10,047 11 7	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	12,141 0 1	118,352 3 10	130,493 3 11	10 0 0	158 14 10	168 14 10
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	23,424 1 1	.....	23,424 1 1	30 0 0	8,175 0 0	8,205 0 0
Thames Embankment (North)	116,601 18 3	.....	116,601 18 3	5,731 4 5	24,605 6 8	30,336 11 1
£	152,166 19 5	118,352 3 10	270,519 3 3	5,771 4 5	32,939 1 6	38,710 5 11

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they beg to submit for the information of your Honorable Board—

Sums Received from 28th October, to 11th November, 1865—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.			
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square - -	£242 0 0		
Acton - - - -	430 0 0		
Chiswick - - - -	18 6 6		
		690 6 6	
Improvement Rates and Charges for Default - - -		26 13 9	
Dividend on New £3 per Cents. - - - -		268 8 7	
Fees under Metropolitan Buildings Act - - -		8 0 0	
			993 8 10
Covent Garden Approach.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		- -	17 16 3
Southwark and Westminster Communication.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		197 18 4	
Purchase Money, &c., *re* Hop Planters' Company - -		18,854 9 10	
			19,052 8 2
Main Drainage Rate Collection.			
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square - - - -		- -	2,438 0 0
Thames Embankment (North).			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		- -	58 13 1
			£22,560 6 4

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the Engineer and Accountant, for the payments specified in the accompanying Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the Sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £45,378 10s. 8d., be paid.

Your Committee have directed their attention to the amounts standing to the credit of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £20,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

That the sum of £2,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

That the sum of £1,147 16s. 2d., be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Southwark and Westminster Communication.

Your Committee have further to report that they have now under consideration the steps necessary to be taken for raising the amounts necessary to meet the expenses of the Fire Brigade, the duty of maintaining which will devolve on the Board on the 1st January next. Your Committee have received an application from one of the Fire Insurance Companies, requesting to be supplied with the form of Return to be made by the Companies, in pursuance of the 15th Section of the Act, of the gross amount of the sums insured by them in respect of property in the Metropolis. The Solicitor has accordingly prepared a form of Return and Declaration, which your Committee now beg to submit, and recommend for the approval of your Honorable Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
J. S. PHILLIPS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT—

General Account.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
THIRST, E., Contractor—						
(1-6561) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -	701	12	6			
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—						
(1-6562) Balance of Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - -	568	16	6			
CLERKS OF WORKS, &c.—						
(1-6563) Bills for Travelling Expenses, to Michaelmas, 1865 -	36	3	0			
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—						
(1-6564) For Premises used for Main Drainage Purposes -	14	4	7			
PALLANT, J.—						
(1-6565) Bill for Making and Repairing Surveying Instruments, &c., July to October, 1865 - - -	42	0	6			
WEEKLY WAGES—						
(1-6566) Week ending 1st November, 1865 - £110 10 8						
(1-6566) ,, 8th ,, - 122 6 3						
	232	16	11			
OFFICERS' SALARIES, Quarter ending Christmas, 1865—						
(1-6567) Second Monthly Advance, on account - -	698	6	10			
Carried forward -	£2,294	0	10			

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	2,294 0 10	- - -
CLERGY MUTUAL ASSURANCE SOCIETY—			
(1-6568) Half-year's Interest on outstanding Amount of Loan of £34,000, (less tax), due 19th November, 1865 - -	£601 16 0		
(1-6569) Second Instalment in repayment of the above Loan, due 19th November, 1865	3,400 0 0		
		4,001 16 0	
(1-6570) Half Year's Interest on outstanding Amount of Loan of £140,000 (less tax), due 19th November, 1865 -	£1,548 15 0		
(1-6571) Eleventh Instalment in Repayment of the above Loan, due 29th November, 1865 - - - -	7,000 0 0		
		8,548 15 0	
SYMONS, M., Annuitant—			
(1-6572) Half Year's Annuity (less tax), due 26th November, 1865		4 18 4	
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—			
(1-6573) For Gas Meter Testing Houses - - -		9 16 3	
COMMERCIAL GAS COMPANY—			
(1-6574) Supply of Gas at Meter Testing House, Spitalfields, to 20th October, 1865 - - -		14 14 9	
AIREY, H., Gas Meter Inspector—			
(1-6575) Petty Disbursements, July to September, 1865 -		7 12 8	
COLLECTOR'S POUNDAGE—			
(1-6576) October, 1865 - - - - -		37 1 0	
WILLIAMS, J. AND S., Contractors—			
(1-6577) First Instalment for Contract Works, Re-construction, &c., of Stamford Brook Sewer, (No. 41) -		2,000 0 0	
THIRST, E., Contractor—			
(1-6578) On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - - -		4,000 0 0	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—			
(1-6579) October, 1865 - - - - -		109 6 6	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—			
(1-6580) Bill for Fair Copying, July to September, 1865 - - - -	£257 8 9		
Stamps - - -	6 7 6		
		263 16 3	
GRIFFE, W.—			
(1-6581) Bill for Painting, &c., at Gas Meter Testing House, Southwark, June to October, 1865 - -		23 12 0	
DYSON AND CO., Parliamentary Agents—			
(1-6582) Balance of Bill for Professional Services, Session 1865		1,072 13 8	
			22,388 3 3
Covent Garden Approach.			
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—			
(2-95) Bill for Fair Copying, July and August, 1865 - -		- -	2 16 3
Carried forward - -		£ - - -	22,390 19 6

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -		22,390 19 6
	Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—			
(3-317)	Bill for Fair Copying, July to September, 1865 -	1 1 7	
	Stamps - - - - -	11 2 6	
			12 4 1
	Finsbury Park.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—			
(5-37)	Bill for Fair Copying, August, 1865 - - -	1 5 3	
	Stamps - - - - -	2 5 0	
			3 10 3
	Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
(6-138)	Collector's Poundage, October, 1865 - -	- -	39 15 3
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W, Contractor—			
(8-1913)	Further on account of Contract Works, &c., Northern Low LevelSewer (No. 23) £12,150 0 0		
(8-1914)	Further on account of Contract Works, &c., Foundations for Engine House, at Abbey Mills Pumping Station (No. 25) - 4,320 0 0		
		16,470 0 0	
THIRST, E., Contractor—			
(8-1915)	Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -	208 3 11	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—			
(8-1916)	Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -	332 1 9	
NEGRETTI AND ZAMBRA—			
(8-1917)	Bill for Stereoscopic Views of Crossness Pumping Station, August, 1865 - - -	13 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(8-1918)	Week ending 1st November, 1865 - £76 15 9 ,, 8th ,, - 126 14 0	203 9 9	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—			
(8-1919)	Bill for Fair Copying, June to September, 4 9 8 Stamps - - - 28 17 6	33 7 2	
	Thames Embankment (North).		17,260 2 7
RITSON, A. W., AND Co., Contractors—			
(9-739)	Further on account of Contract No. 2, including Plant and Materials - - - -	5,438 0 0	
THIRST, E., Contractor—			
(9-740)	Bill for General Contract Works, Quarter ending Midsummer, 1865 - - - -	23 17 9	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-741)	Week ending 1st November, 1865 £49 12 6 ,, 8th ,, 45 4 0 £94 16 6 Thames Embankment, South— Week ending 1st November, 1865 £3 3 0 ,, 8th ,, 3 3 0 6 6 0	101 2 6	
	Carried forward -	£5,563 0 3	39,706 11 8

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
	Carried forward -	5,563	0	3	39,706	11	8
Petty Cash Payments—							
(9-742)	October, 1865 - - - - -	25	8	4			
Harrison, W., Law Stationer—							
(9-743)	Bill for Fair Copying, July to September, 1865 - - £17 7 3						
	Stamps - - 3 10 0						
	£20 17 3						
	Ditto--New Street to Mansion House 9 11 11						
	Stamps - - 9 15 0						
	19 6 11						
	Ditto—Thames Embankment, South - - - 25 16 3						
	Stamps - - 17 10 0						
	£43 6 3						
		83	10	5	5,671	19	0
	Total - - -				£45,378	10	8

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES. ED. COLLINSON.
W. H. DALTON. F. HEALEY.
CHAS. HARRIS. WM. NEWTON.
EDWD. SHEPHERD. J. S. PHILLIPS.
CYRUS LEGG. EDWD. R. COOK.
W. CLARK. ROBERT TAYLOR.

Form of Return submitted with the foregoing Report.

Return made to the Metropolitan Board of Works, pursuant to the Metropolitan Fire Brigade Act, 1865.

I, the undersigned, Secretary of the Fire Insurance Company, and by order of the Board of Directors of that Company, do certify and return to the Metropolitan Board of Works that the said Company did, in the year ending 24th December, 18 , insure property within the Metropolis as defined by the Metropolis Local Management Act, 1855, in the gross amount following, viz.—

(Signed)

Secretary of the Fire Insurance Company.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the following Cheques drawn on the Main Drainage Account be cancelled, viz—

4th August, 1865, (No. 1881), Mr. Webster, Contractor - -	£5,000	0	0
,, ,, (No. 1887), Mr. Moxon, Contractor - -	200	0	0

and the said Cheques were thereupon cancelled by the Chairman accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £45,378 10s. 8d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the sum of £20,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That the sum of £2,500 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Resolved—That the sum of £1,147 16s. 2d. be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Southwark and Westminster Communication.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the form of Return to be made by the several London Fire Insurance Offices, of the gross amount of their Insurances during the year, submitted by the Committee, be approved.

6. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
14th November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 7th July last, (No. 3), referring to them, for consideration, the several Tenders for taking the Sewage on the South side of the Thames. The Tenders were five in number, and the following are the names of the parties tendering—

Mr. Rigby Wason.
Mr. George Shepherd.
Mr. Charles F. Kirkman.
Mr. Richard Smith.
Mr. Thomas Ellis.

Your Committee would observe, in the first instance, that none of these parties have strictly complied with the terms of the Advertisement issued by the Board, but they are mostly indefinite suggestions, unaccompanied by Plans, sections, and other details necessary to show what works are actually intended, and the cost of the same.

Your Committee have, accordingly, had a corresponding difficulty in judging of the relative merits and advantages of the several schemes. They have received a Report from the Engineer, prepared in pursuance of the Order of your Honorable Board, giving the result of his examination of the different schemes, including the particulars of a careful survey of the area proposed to be dealt with by the several Tenderers. It may be convenient to state, shortly, the principal features of each proposal.

Mr. Rigby Wason proposes to draw off the sewage from the Board's sewer, at various points along its line, by means of syphons, and to raise it to a height most convenient for distribution into the country through brick culverts, 2 feet in diameter. He considers it impossible, however, to give any details of the scheme, such as the points at which the sewage should be taken; the daily quantities to be utilized; the number of gallons to be supplied per acre, &c. He estimates the cost of the works at £163,000, and proposes to raise a capital of £500,000.

Mr. George Shepherd proposes to pump the sewage, solid and liquid, undeodorized, at Deptford and Crossness, to various elevations, the highest being about 400 feet, so as to irrigate the high lands, for which he considers sewage is more in demand than for low lands. He proposes a system of District Reservoirs, about twenty in number, into which the sewage, after being pumped, will flow by gravitation through main pipes laid

along the public roads, and in which it will be allowed to ferment and be stored for use, thus being always ready and in reserve, each Reservoir to irrigate from four to five square miles. He also proposes to purchase from the Board the Pumping Stations at Crossness and Deptford, by which he states he could furnish a large quantity of sewage to farmers within six months. He further proposes to collect on the route the sewage of every town near London. He estimates the South side sewage at 55,000 tons daily, and is of opinion that it may be diluted with 60 or 70 million tons of water. He proposes to make this available for from 40,000 to 50,000 acres, and thinks 300 tons per acre will be ample for each dressing. His capital would not exceed £600,000, and he is of opinion that it would not be safe to estimate a profit of more than 10 per cent.

Mr. Charles F. Kirkman proposes to adopt the solid or dry system; to take the sewage from the Southern Outfall at Crossness, to deodorize it, and separate the solid from the liquid, discharging the latter, in an inoffensive form, into the river. He describes the process of separation, and proposes a Contract of 21 years' duration from the completion of the works, which will be ready for use within one year, and be completed within two years, of the date of the Contract. He gives no estimate of the cost, and states that he cannot tender in compliance with the terms of the Advertisement, as they appear only to apply to persons interested in a liquid distribution of sewage.

Mr. Richard Smith proposes to force the sewage by steam power, to have Pumping Stations at Deptford and Erith, whence to force the sewage through pipes to reservoirs situated, respectively, at West-wood, Hayes-common, Bagshot-heath, and Leatherhead-common. He contemplates the erection of six reservoirs in all, each to contain about 220,000 gallons; to use the sewage partly by irrigation, and partly by hose and jet, and to form about 300 acres of osier-beds for the purpose of filtering the sewage after it has been used upon the higher levels, which would absorb the remainder of its valuable properties, and allow it, thus rendered clear and inoffensive, to run into the various streams. Mr. Smith estimates the cost of his scheme at about £400,000, proposes a sixty years' lease of the sewage, the Board to receive 2½ per cent. after the Shareholders have received 7½ per cent.; any further profits, beyond this 10 per cent., to be equally divided between the Company and the Board.

Mr. Thomas Ellis proposes to conduct the sewage, by a brick culvert, 11 feet 6 inches in diameter, from the Crossness Reservoir to an outlet into the river at Higham-creek, about two miles below Gravesend, and thirty miles below London-bridge. This culvert is to have a discharge into the river at the Outfall, at low water, by gravitation, and is to take the drainage from Erith, Dartford, and Gravesend on its way. Near the proposed Outfall a Pumping Station is to be erected, and the sewage forced through a culvert, two miles in length, to an elevation of about 280 feet, whence it is to flow by gravitation through pipes to the area proposed to be irrigated, which is stated to comprise about 196,000 acres, but the locality is not defined. At convenient points along the line of pipes, the sewage is to be distributed by hose and jet, or by open channels. Mr. Ellis also proposes that his Company should take on lease about 4,000 acres of land for the purpose of cultivation, and on which to use any excess of the sewage. He assumes the quantity of sewage to be about 9½ million cubic feet per diem, equal to about 98 million tons per annum, which would give 500 tons per acre on the area over which he proposes to utilize it. Mr. Ellis expresses his desire to accept the same terms of concession as those granted to Messrs. Napier and Hope; he estimates the cost of the scheme at about £1,600,000, and his working expenses at £115,442.

Your Committee directed the whole of these Tenders, and the papers referred to therein, together with the Engineer's Report on the several schemes, to be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board, accompanied by a Plan showing the area proposed to be dealt with by the several parties, the positions of the reservoirs, and the lines of culvert through which the sewage is proposed to be carried, in order that Members might have an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the details of each scheme. Your Committee requested the several parties to attend before them, to give such further information and explanation of their views, as might assist your Committee in determining which of the schemes would, in their opinion, offer the greatest chance of success, and best provide for a useful and profitable application of the sewage. Messrs. Wason, Shepherd, Smith, and Ellis accordingly attended your Committee, and supplied further information as to their respective plans. Your Committee, after mature deliberation and full discussion on the merits of the various Tenders, have arrived at the conclusion that the plan of Mr. Ellis, imperfect as it is, contains the most favourable features, and is most capable of being so improved and developed as to meet the ends in view. There is one most important modification which, it appears to them, should be especially required, that is, in the particular of the Outfall at Higham. Mr. Ellis proposes to construct a culvert 14 miles long, with a fall of one foot per mile, from the Crossness Reservoir to Higham, to discharge into the river there, at low water, by gravitation. The Engineer states, the discharge of such an immense volume of sewage, at low water, would seriously pollute the river, and being at a point only two miles below Gravesend, would affect that town. It would, therefore, in the judgment of your Committee, be absolutely necessary, in the event of the concession being granted to Mr. Ellis, that he should construct a reservoir at Higham, with pumping power, so that the discharge might take place, as at Crossness, soon after high water. It will be observed that the Engineer's estimate of the cost of the works proposed by Mr. Ellis is nearly one million above the estimate of Mr. Ellis himself, and this difference would be still further increased by the cost of construction of the reservoir.

Your Committee beg now to report their opinion, that the Tender of Mr. Thomas Ellis for dealing with the Sewage on the South side of the Thames, so far as his general scheme is concerned, offers the greatest advantages, but they are of opinion that he should be required to construct a Reservoir at the point of discharge into the river on the same principle as that at Crossness, viz., to discharge at high water, and they recommend—

> That the subject be referred back to them to negotiate the precise terms on which a Concession should be granted to him.

Your Committee have further to state that they have received a Report from Mr. Cresy, relative to an infringement of the Sale of Gas Act by the Inspector appointed by the Corporation of Kingston, in testing Gas Meters within the Metropolis, without the sanction of the Board. It appears that the Inspector in question has established an office in Lothian-street, Camberwell, where he tests meters under the authority of the Corporation of Kingston, using their Seal. Your Committee referred this matter to the Solicitor, for his opinion, and he suggests that he should be authorized to confer with Counsel, and to take such proceedings as may be necessary for protecting the interests of the Board.

Your Committee beg to recommend that the Solicitor be instructed accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
W. H. DALTON.

The Clerk laid before the Board letters, as follow—

From Mr. George Shepherd, dated 14th November, 1865, requesting to be supplied with a copy of the notes of his statement to the Main Drainage Committee, for correction, before the same should be circulated, and making observations in reference to the Culvert, proposed to be constructed by Mr. Ellis, from Crossness to Higham.

From Mr. Rigby Wason, dated 15th November, 1865, in reference to the Report by the Engineer on his Tender for the Southern Sewage.

The Report of the Committee having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Roche—That this Board concurs in the opinion expressed by the Committee, that the Tender of Mr. Ellis, for dealing with the Sewage on the South side of the Thames, so far as his general scheme is concerned, offers the greatest advantages; that he should be required to construct a Reservoir at the point of discharge on the same principle as that at Crossness, viz., to discharge at high water; and that the subject be referred back to the Committee, with authority to negotiate the precise terms upon which a Concession should be granted to him.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Newton, pursuant to notice, and seconded by Mr. Carpmael—"That none of the Plans and Tenders for the Utilization of the Sewage "of the South side of the Thames conform with the terms of the Advertisement, or "are sufficiently explanatory or practicable to justify adoption."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—6.

Carpmael, W., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Collinson, E., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Newton.

Against the Amendment—26.

Adams, B. H., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Beven, T., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.
Harris, C., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Westerton, C., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Freeman.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried, and it was **resolved** accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the

testing of gas meters by the Inspector appointed by the Corporation of Kingston, be approved, and that the subject be referred back to the Committee, with authority to take such proceedings as they may be advised.

7. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
15th November, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, under the authority vested in them by the Resolution of your Honorable Board, of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the following Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Barnes, (Nos. 2 and 2A, Great Trinity-lane)—	
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. William Horsley and Son) - -	£29 1 6
Surveyor's Fees, (Mr. Robert Barnes) - - - -	43 0 0
Re Hawkes, ("Acorn" public-house,) freehold—	
Interest on purchase-money, (Messrs. Stephen, Thomas, and Richard Hawkes) - - - - - -	69 12 0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Loxley and Morley) - - -	70 0 0
Re Charrington ("Acorn" public-house), leasehold—	
Interest on purchase-money, (Messrs. Charrington, Head, and Co.) - - - - - -	23 15 10
Re Hendry, (Pancras Chambers)—	
Referee's Charges, (Mr. George Barnes Williams) - -	35 8 0
Re Hendry, (Charlotte Row)—	
Referee's Charges, (Mr. George Barnes Williams) - -	21 0 0

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the subject of widening and improving Mansion House-street, as suggested by the Deputation from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on the 20th October last, together with the Statement on the same subject, submitted to the Board by the Court of Directors of the Union Bank of London, referred to your Committee on the 3rd instant, (No. 3). Your Committee, in exercise of the authority delegated to them, have received Deputations from the Commissioners of Sewers, and the Court of Directors of the Union Bank. It appears, from the statements made to your Committee, that the Commissioners of Sewers are desirous of securing the co-operation of your Honorable Board in widening and improving Mansion House-street at the Northern side, by setting back the premises now belonging to the Union Bank to a line shown upon a Plan submitted to your Committee by the Commissioners, and by that means continuing the width of Mansion House-street, to within two houses of Princes-street. The Directors of the Union Bank are opposed to this scheme, on the ground that they have entered into heavy Contracts for the erection of additional buildings fronting Mansion House-street, and have already expended considerable sums in compensations, and in works which have been, for several months, in course of erection. The Directors contend that any widening of Mansion House-street should be on the South, and not on the North, side of that thoroughfare, and they have submitted to your Committee a Plan, in which they suggest the rounding off of the North-west corner of the Mansion House, and the placing of the portico on the West,

instead of the North-side of the same. Your Committee have given their best consideration to this question, and are not prepared to recommend your Honorable Board to contribute towards the carrying out of the improvement contemplated. Without, however, expressing any opinion as to the desirability of the same, they think it is one, if carried out, which ought to form part of a general scheme for the Improvement of the Poultry, and to be paid for by means of the 4*d.* Coal Dues.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That this Board concurs in the opinion expressed by the Committee, that if an Improvement of Mansion House-street be desirable, it should form part of a general scheme for the improvement of the Poultry, and be carried out by means of the 4*d.* Coal Dues.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Hall—" That, in the opinion of this Board, it is desirable to widen Mansion House-" street, by setting back the premises now in course of erection by the Union Bank of Lon-" don, on the site of Sir John Lubbock's premises, and others, extending Eastward, and " that it be referred back to the Committee, to consider what additional width should be " made to the street, and also to ascertain the probable cost, and to report to this Board " forthwith what amount it should contribute in aid thereof."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried.

A Division having been been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—18.		Against the Motion—3.
Beven, T., Esq.	Freeman, R. Esq.	Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald. Saunders, J. E., Esq.
Bidgood, H., Esq.	Harris, C., Esq.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	
Carpmael, W., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.	
Clark, W., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	
Collinson, E., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq,	
Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	
Doulton, F., Esq., M.P.		
Teller—Mr. Phillips.		Teller—Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor.

And it was

Resolved—That this Board concurs in the opinion expressed by the Committee, that if an Improvement of Mansion House-street be desirable, it should form part of a general scheme for the improvement of the Poultry, and be carried out by means of the 4*d.* Coal Dues.

8. The following Report was brought up—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
15th November, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in accordance with the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th November, 1862, (No. 4), they are proceeding with the

acquisition of the several properties required for the purposes of the Thames Embankment Act, 1862, and that they have drawn Cheques, as follow, for payments in connection with the under-mentioned claims, viz.—

Re Hensman, (Adelphi)—	
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Hensman and Nicholson) - -	£9 19 0
Re Henderson—	
Compensation awarded by Jury, (Messrs. T. and J. Henderson)	4,500 0 0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. Tahourdin) - - - -	270 16 2
Re Luer—	
Compensation awarded by Jury, (Mr. C. Luer) - -	3,750 0 0
Solicitors' Costs, (Messrs. C. J. and H. Shoubridge) - -	277 19 10

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
JOHN SAVAGE.
GEO. PECKETT.

The Report having been read,

Resolved—That it be received.

9. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 5), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following streets, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

John-street, &c.	Poplar.
Tetley-street, &c.	do.
Orchard-street, &c.	do.
Chrisp-street, &c.	do.
Augusta-street, &c.	do.
Pennyfields	do.
Kerbey-street, &c.	do.
High-street, &c.	do.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

10. The Board considered further the application of the Plumstead District Board of Works for permission to borrow the sum of £5,000, for sewerage works in the Parish of Eltham, and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, in the County of Kent, have, under and pursuant to the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, applied to this Board for its sanction to the borrowing and taking up at interest by the said Board of the sum of £5,000, for defraying expenses to be incurred by the said District Board in the execution of the Metropolis Management Acts, on the credit of the Rates authorized to be raised by the said District Board, under the said Acts, in the Parish of Eltham, the same being for purposes connected with the Sewerage of the said Parish of Eltham, and to be borrowed on the credit of the Sewer Rates of the said Parish. **And whereas**, this Board, having duly considered the matter of the said application, it was **resolved** that the said District Board be permitted to borrow the sum of £5,000, towards the cost of the sewer to be constructed along the high-road from Lee to Eltham, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed five per cent. per annum. Therefore, it is **ordered**, that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by

the said Board of Works for the Plumstead District, of the Royal Exchange Assurance Corporation, Royal Exchange, London, on the security of the sewer rates of the said Parish of Eltham, as by law provided, of a sum not exceeding £5,000, in or towards defraying the expense incurred, or to be incurred, in the execution of the said works of sewerage, at a rate of interest not exceeding five pounds per cent. per annum, the principal of such loan to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. C. A. Smith, Clerk to the Plumstead District Board of Works, requesting to be supplied with a sealed copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th November, 1865, on a further letter from the Engineer of the Thames Conservators, with reference to the discharge of mud into the river from the Thames Embankment Works, stating that, on further enquiry into the matter, he had received information corroborating the facts stated in his Report, presented to the Board on the 20th October, last, (No. 4), namely, that some men, in loading a barge off Cannon-row with mud, taken out of the caissons, threw it into the river, instead of into the body of the barge, for which they were taken before a Magistrate, who fined them each 2s. 6d. for the offence; but that with regard to a second instance referred to by the Conservators, in which it was alleged that their Superintendent saw men unloading mud into the river from a barge outside a dam in No. 2 section of the Works, he had ascertained, on inquiry, that the allegation was correct, but that the act was done in ignorance by the men, and entirely without the knowledge of the Board's, or Contractor's servants, and that the Contractor had promised to use every precaution to prevent a recurrence of the offence.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication, founded thereon, be addressed to the Engineer of the Thames Conservators.

12. The Engineer laid before the Board letters from Captain Burstal, Secretary to the Thames Conservators, dated 7th November, 1865; from Mr. Farrer, of the Board of Trade, dated 10th November, 1865, and from Mr. Currey, on behalf of the Governors of St. Thomas's Hospital, dated 9th November, 1865, assenting, on behalf of those bodies, to the proposed deviation in the line of the Southern Embankment, which was sanctioned by the Board on the 20th October last, (No. 1).

13. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
16th November, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 15th instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	2,450	...
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	2,450	...

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 15th instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract - - - - - - - - -	104,796	160,720
No. 2 Contract - - - - - - - - -	6,864	10,176
	111,660	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 282,556 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th November, 1865, stating that James Poole, who had been in the service of the Board about five years, at wages of 24s. a-week, employed in inspecting and gauging the cement and concrete, used on the Southern Main Drainage Works, was in the Hospital, suffering from cancer of the tongue, and utterly unable to follow any employment; that his disease was aggravated and developed by the nature of the work on which he had been engaged, and submitting medical certificates to that effect.

It was **moved** by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to consider and report on the case.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th November, 1865, stating that it would be necessary, for the execution of the works for the covering, deepening, and re-constructing of the Heathwall Sewer, &c., that the lands, tenements, and premises, more particularly described in the Schedules accompanying the Report, should be occupied by the Board, and recommending that the necessary Order be passed.

The Schedules, referred to in the said Report, were laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the Report be approved; and it was **ordered** as follows—

Whereas, for the purpose of constructing and executing certain sewers and works ordered, and about to be carried out by this Board, in exercise of the powers vested in them by the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, it is necessary that the under-mentioned Officers and Contractor of the Board, with their assistants, servants, and workmen, should enter upon, and otherwise lawfully interfere with, the lands, tenements, and premises, mentioned and referred to in the Book or Schedule now produced to the Board; it is **resolved** and **ordered**—That, for the purpose of constructing and executing the said sewers and works, Joseph William Bazalgette, Engineer of this Board; John Grant, Assistant Engineer of this Board; Thomas Pearson, Contractor of this Board, and their assistants, servants, and workmen, and each and every of them, be empowered and required to enter upon, and do all necessary and lawful acts in and upon the said lands, tenements, and premises, for the execution of the said works, or any of them, on notice to be given to the occupiers of the said lands, tenements, and premises, respectively, three days at least before such entry.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th November, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Newington, for permission to construct 940 feet of 12-inch pipe sewer in Cam-

bridge-street and Palmerston-street, Park-road, in that Parish, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestry be permitted to construct and execute the works recommended by the Engineer.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 16th November, 1865, on the application of the Vestry of Chelsea, for permission to stop up Lot's-road, Chelsea, for three months, for the purpose of repairing it, stating that the road in question was a new one, with little traffic, and recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the said Vestry, for the purpose of executing the said works, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

18. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
15th November, 1865.

WOOLWICH.

In answer to the statement which has been made to the effect that the appearance of Cholera at Woolwich was attributed to the sewage floating up the river from the Outlet at Crossness, I submit, herewith, a letter from Mr. J. Bruce, stating his belief that certain epidemics, including "cholera, typhus, scarlet-fever and croup," are scarcely ever absent from the localities of Pelliper-road, Lower Wood-street, Wood-street and Maryon-road, Woolwich, and which he attributes to the houses having "underground tanks," which cannot be easily cleansed, being 30 or 40 feet deep, and in which the rain-water, for drinking, is collected. Mr. Bruce adds that, at Gibraltar, and at many of the French towns where cholera has been most rife, it is a well known fact, the inhabitants derive their only water supply from rain-water tanks, the positions of which, both at Woolwich and in France, are, he alleges, close to the privies.

In order to ascertain how far the statements made by Mr. Bruce, with reference to Woolwich, were borne out by the facts, I have caused the localities named by him, and shown upon the accompanying Plan, to be inspected, and the following is the result—

Pelliper-road and Lower Wood-street both contain small houses, which are overcrowded with soldiers' families. In the latter street are also stables and coach-houses, belonging to the occupiers of houses in Wood-street. Both Wood-street and Maryon-road have good houses in the occupation of a much more respectable class. The situation of all the four streets, is not, however, good, lying as they do in a valley, which has for its drainage a very defective old sewer, half full of deposit. This sewer was formerly an open ditch, with catch-pits or ponds in it, and has hitherto been a constant source of expense to the Woolwich Board. It has, however, recently been connected with the Southern Outfall Sewer, and the Local Board propose shortly to reconstruct it at a better level. The total number of houses in the four streets named, is 236, and, with the exception of 6, all are drained. All have a water supply from the Kent Waterworks, but in Pelliper-road and Lower Wood-street, that supply does not, except in three cases, extend to the closet-pans. Rain-water-tanks are general in Wood-street, they are of the usual size, but at nothing like the depth stated by Mr. Bruce, and, of course, as the residents have a supply from the Water Company, it is at their own option which to use for domestic purposes.

From the result of this inspection I am led to believe that, whatever excess of disease may prevail in the locality, is due more to the old and defective local sewer than to the cause assigned by Mr. Bruce, and I would therefore recommend that a communication be addressed to the Woolwich Local Board, urging the commencement of the works for re-constructing that sewer forthwith.

Appended to this Report is a table, showing the average rate of Mortality in the Districts in which the streets referred to are situate.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Mortality of the Parish of Charlton, and the Dockyard District of Woolwich, since 1860, which includes Maryon-road, Wood-street, Lower Wood-street, and Pelliper-road.

Year.	Charlton.			Dockyard District of Woolwich.			Remarks.
	Deaths.	Population in 1861.	Deaths per 1000.	Deaths.	Population in 1861.	Deaths per 1000.	
1860	129	8,164	16	418	20,000	21	
1861	122	,,	15	406	,,	20	
1862	122	,,	15	393	,,	20	
1863	130	,,	16	389	,,	20	
1864	184	,,	22	545	,,	28	
1865	97 29	,,	16	395 65	,,	21	Calculated Deaths from November 15th, to December 31st, 1865, taking 1864 as the standard. The Population of the Dockyard District excludes the Military, as the deaths of same are taken in the Arsenal District.
	135	8,164	16.53	435	20,000	21.75	Average of each District.
				570	28,164	20.24	Average of both Districts.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a copy thereof be sent to the Authorities of the War Office, and to the Woolwich Local Board of Health, respectively.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Carpmael, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

19. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contract by Mr. Pearson, for covering-over deepening, and otherwise improving the Heathwall, Lord Spencer, and a portion of the Putney Boundary Main Sewers, and for the diversion of the sewage through Garratt-lane from a part of the River Wandle, together with the Bond duly executed by the Contractor and his Sureties.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Dethick, Contractor, dated 10th November, 1865, consenting to the terms proposed for the settlement of the claim of Mr. J. C. Walton, for alleged damage to his premises at Greenwich, in the execution of sewerage works, viz., £30 for compensation, £5 5s. for Surveyor's costs, and £3 3s. for Solicitor's costs, and requesting the Board to draw Cheques for those amounts.

Resolved—That Cheques be now drawn for the said amounts; and Cheques were drawn on the Main Drainage Account accordingly.

21. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following Notices, in respect of property alleged to have been injuriously affected by the execution of the works of the Northern Low Level Sewer—

By Mr. William Balls, dated 4th November, 1865, stating his intention to commence an action against the Board, for alleged damage to the premises, Brunton-cottage, Brunton-place, Limehouse; and a further notice, dated 7th November, 1865, stating the amount claimed by him for compensation was £400, and requiring the Board to issue a Jury Warrant for settling the amount of such compensation.

By Mr. William Kakell, dated 4th November, 1865, stating his intention to commence an action against the Board for alleged injury to his premises, No. 1, Rhodeswell-road, Limehouse; and a similar notice in respect of the premises, No. 1, St. Ann's-terrace, Rhodeswell-road, Limehouse.

By Mr. John Taylor, dated 4th November, 1865, stating his intention to commence an action against the Board for alleged damage to his premises, No. 4, Wright's-buildings, Salmon's-lane, Commercial-road East.

By Mr. Henry William Goff, and Anna Louisa, his wife, and Mr. Joseph Smith, dated 6th November, 1865, of their intention to commence an action against the Board for alleged damage to the premises, No. 2, Brunton-place, Commercial-road East.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do communicate with the Contractor on the subject of the said several Notices, and report to the Board thereon, on Friday next.

22. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the claim of Mr. George Hawes, in respect of damages to his premises, Commerce House, Walham-green, alleged to have been caused by the execution of the Western Sewerage works, that he had not heard from the Contractor, owing to his illness, but that if he did not, he would withdraw the defence according to order, if he could not get time.

23. The Solicitor reported that he had not yet heard from the Contractor, with reference to the claim of Mr. H. W. Keys, for alleged damage to his houses in Dove-place, Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage works.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Report, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of Friday last, (No. 17), with reference to the liability of the Board, in respect of the alleged flooding of the premises, No. 91, Leman-street, Whitechapel.

Resolved—That the said Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration; that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon, and that they be authorized to take such steps as they may deem advisable with reference thereto.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Cotterill and Sons, dated 9th November, 1865, stating their views with reference to the claims of Messrs. Brownlow, arising out of the accident to the steamship "Zebra," and forwarding the following further claims, viz.—Messrs. Hibbert and Co., Messrs. Hooton and Nephew, Captain Goodwin, Messrs. Pana, Cremedi, and Co., Lieutenant Hogg, Lieutenant Decie, and Mr. Prescott; and also forwarding an account showing the cost of working the steamer during the time she was under repair.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the subject to which it relates, and that the Committee be authorized to take such steps with reference thereto, as they may be advised.

26. The Solicitor laid before the Board particulars of the claim, amounting to £500, of the Right Rev. Thomas Grant, the Very Rev. J. Danell, and the Rev. J. E. North, in respect of the use and occupation, by the Board, of land and premises situate at the Oval, Kennington, and for alleged damage to a mansion, &c., adjacent thereto, by the execution of the works of the Southern Low Level Sewer.

Resolved—That the said claim be referred to the Engineer for a Report, and that notice be given to the Contractor of the receipt of the claim.

27. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Writ of Summons, at the suit of Mr. Charles Augustus Masters, which had been sent to him for an undertaking to appear, and reported that Mr. Masters' Solicitor now wished the Writ to be considered as withdrawn, for the present.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. John William Sawyer, dated 13th November, 1865, expressing his regret that his man had inadvertently made an entry into the Southern High Level Sewer, at Lordship-lane, Dulwich, as reported to the Board on the 3rd instant, (No. 21), and promising that there should be no recurrence of the act.

29. The Solicitor laid before the Board the following Letter and Report—

1, Copthall Buildings, London, E.C.,
13th November, 1865.

Dear Sir,

Since the inspection of the Blackman-street Sewer, a Report has been made by Dr. Miller and Dr. Odling, recommending certain precautions in the admission of refuse into the sewer.

It was arranged that this Report should be countersigned by Dr. Letheby, if approved by him.

We have sent a copy of the Report to Dr. Letheby for his approval, and we have the pleasure to enclose a copy herewith. The recommendations, if approved by Dr. Letheby, will be strictly enforced.

We are, &c.,
(Signed) WILSON, BRISTOWS AND CARPMAEL.

W. Wyke Smith, Esq.,
Solicitor,
Office—Board of Works, Spring Gardens, S.W.

London,
November 1st, 1865.

To Messrs. Wilson, Bristows, and Carpmael.

Gentlemen,

AËRATED BREAD COMPANY.

On Friday, 27th October, Dr. Miller met Dr. Letheby, by appointment, with Mr. Carpmael, at the Bakery, in Blackman-street. Mr. Walker, of the Metropolitan Board of Works, with three Sewer-men, were also there, to give such aid as might be required.

The same three workmen were in the sewer on the occasion which gave rise to the present inquiry, and we questioned them minutely upon the details of the occurrence. We have no reason to doubt that carbonic acid gas was the cause of the stupor from which they suffered.

We were informed that the sewer in question is one four feet across, and about four feet six inches high. At the corner of the Borough-road is a man-hole, 60 or 80 yards above the Bakery, and beyond Trinity-street, about 200 yards further down the sewer, is another man-hole. Between these two entrances are two air-shafts, and a "bell mouth." The entry of the 9-inch brick drain from the Bakery is about 120 yards from the man-hole at Trinity-street, and the flow of the sewer is from the Bakery towards London-bridge.

At Suffolk-street, just above the junction with Trinity-street, another sewer of considerable size enters, and into this, it was alleged, acid refuse is, from time to time, discharged from some other factory. The flow of this sewer, however, under ordinary circumstances, cannot reach the material discharged from the Bakery near its entrance, or indeed, until it has become largely diluted with the other contents of the sewer.

We arrived at about half-past twelve o'clock in the afternoon, and it had been arranged that the charge in the generator should be run into the sewer during our visit. By some mistake of the foreman, however, who understood that the visit had been postponed, the charge was, as in the usual course of working, run off into the sewer just before our arrival, so that the atmosphere of the sewer would be charged with the carbonic acid, if any considerable quantity of this gas were liberated from the materials during their discharge.

The Sewer-men collected quart samples, as follow:—

1st. Liquid from Suffolk-street Sewer.

2nd. White mud from the middle of the sewer, in Blackman-street, opposite the entrance of the Bakery drain.

3rd. A sample of the air of the sewer from the same spot.

The men went down into the sewer three separate times, and on the last occasion walked through it, entering at Trinity-street, and coming out at the Borough-road, without suffering inconvenience.

The air of the sewer was free from sulphuretted hydrogen, as was shown by its not blackening paper, moistened with a solution of acetate of lead, and placed in the hat worn by one of the men, while under ground.

EXAMINATION OF SAMPLES.

1. The water from the Suffolk-street Sewer was found to be neutral.

2. On examining the mud taken from the sewer opposite the Bakery, we found that the water which drained from it was quite neutral. The mud itself was white, and consisted chiefly of sulphate of lime, and contained also a slight excess of chalk, which we were informed is intentional, and in conformity with a recommendation from Dr. Letheby.

3. On examining the air taken from the sewer, it was found to contain rather more carbonic acid than that present in the atmosphere, but no dangerous amount of the gas, the total quantity being less than 0·2 per cent.

CONCLUSIONS.

From the result of a careful consideration of the case, we consider that if the materials are run off from the generator too early, that is, before the chemical action of the acid upon the chalk has completely come to an end, or if from carelessness any acid should have been employed in excess, there might be a disengagement of carbonic acid gas, and perhaps even of sulphuretted hydrogen in the latter case, in the sewer, sufficient at the moment to occasion danger to men who might at that time enter the sewer.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Without being prepared to say that either of these circumstances really occurred on the day when the accident happened, we recommend that, in future, strict orders be given to all the Master Bakers, at every station of the Company's works, to the following effect—

1. As soon as the disengagement of gas from the generator, after the addition of the last portions of acid has practically come to an end, to add water, and continue the agitation, then to open the charge-hole at top, and to allow the contents to remain in the open generator with constant agitation for twelve hours; at the end of twelve hours after the last portions of acid have been added, and not before, the contents may be allowed to run away.

2. That a sample be drawn from each charge as it is being run off, and be preserved for examination.

It should not redden litmus, and should effervesce slightly, on adding strong acid.

The proportions of acid and chalk at present employed appear to be well calculated to ensure safety.

If the foregoing precautions are strictly followed, we consider that no danger to the men in the sewer can arise from the discharge into (*sic*) the exhausted materials from the generator.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) WM. ALLEN MILLER, M.D.

I have considered the matter very fully with Dr. Miller, and quite concur in his conclusions and recommendations.

(Signed) WILLIAM ODLING.

The Solicitor also laid before the Board a letter, as follows—

17, Sussex-place, Regent's-park,
November 16th, 1865.

To W. Wyke Smith, Esq.

Dear Sir,

IN THE MATTER OF THE LATE ACCIDENT FROM FOUL AIR IN THE BLACKMAN-STREET SEWER.

I beg to say, in reply to your letter of the 14th instant, that I have received from Messrs. Wilson, Bristows, and Carpmael, on the part of the Aërated Bread Company, a copy of a Report by Dr. Miller and Dr. Odling, in the above-named matter, and as you desire me to express my opinion thereof, I have to state—

1st. That I have no doubt whatever, the recent accident to the sewer workmen, from foul air in the Blackman-street Sewer, was occasioned by the gas evolved from the spent lime, discharged into the sewer from the Bakery of the Aërated Bread Company.

2nd. That, as regards the recommendations set forth in the Report, to guard against the recurrence of a similar disaster, I believe the precaution of using an excess of whiting, and of agitating the diluted mixture in the open air for twelve hours before it is discharged into the sewer, will meet the difficulty, in so far as it relates to the *actual* evolution of gas at the time of the discharge, but it will not meet the danger which must arise if the spent lime is brought into contact with waste acid refuse flowing into the sewer from any neighbouring factory; for if such were to occur, and, as I am informed, is very likely to occur, the chalk used in excess would be immediately attacked by the acid, and would thus evolve sufficient carbonic acid to render the atmosphere of the sewer extremely dangerous. The very precaution, therefore, taken by the Aërated Bread Company, to guard against danger from their operations, would be a fruitful source of the like danger from the operations of others.

I am, therefore, still of opinion that restrictions should be placed on the rapidly increasing practice of discharging the refuse matters of trades and manufactures into the public sewers, and this is especially needful in those cases where such matters are of an acid nature. If the restrictions did not go so far as to prohibit entirely the discharge of such refuse, they might extend to the adoption of certain regulations as to the time of the discharge, so that the workmen may not be unprepared for it, and be thus suddenly exposed to the action of foul gases. Among the trade and manufacturing operations whereby such acids are produced, are the following—the pickling of metal for galvanizing, tinning, bronzing, and lacquering; the bleaching of ginger and some other spices; the refining of oil, fat, and petroleum; the making of carbonic acid for aërated waters, &c., and the manufacture of certain chemicals and manures. All these should be at least required to discharge their waste acid liquids into the sewers at properly appointed times, and the same regulation should extend to the bakeries of the Aërated Bread Company.

I remain, &c.,

(Signed) HY. LETHEBY.

Resolved—That the said Letters and Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report; and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

30. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Terrell and Chamberlain, dated 15th November, 1865, requesting, on behalf of the Inhabitants of Sydenham, a copy of the Memorial presented to this Board by the Inhabitants of Penge, on the subject of the increase of representation for that Hamlet in the Lewisham District Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That a copy of the said Memorial be supplied to Messrs. Terrell and Chamberlain.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 24th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 42.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **24th** day of **November**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Silas Taylor, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Major William Lyon.	William Carpmael, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.	Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Charles Westerton, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.		William Tite, Esq., M.P.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 17th November instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Read a letter, as follows—

Wenlock Basin, City Road, London, N,
22nd November, 1865.

My dear Sir John,

The business of the Metropolitan Board of Works has increased, and is now increasing, to such an extent, that I cannot possibly devote sufficient time to the discharge of my duties as a Member of the Board, more particularly as a great portion of my time and attention is necessarily engaged in other public duties. I now, therefore, (though reluctantly), resign my seat as a Member of the Board, and while so doing, allow me to thank you, and the rest of my Colleagues at the Board, for the kind and courteous consideration I have so long experienced at your, and their hands, upon all occasions.

I remain, &c.,
(Signed) EDW. SHEPHERD.

To Sir John Thwaites,
Chairman of the
Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Shoreditch, acquainting them with the resignation of Mr. Shepherd.

3. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,

21st November, 1865.

Your Honorable Board having, on the 20th October last, (No. 6), referred the subject of the Fire Brigade to your Committee, with authority to appoint a Sub-Committee of not less than nine Members of the Board, to procure information, confer with Captain Shaw, investigate details, and report the same to the Main Drainage Committee, in order that they might make their recommendations to your Honorable Board, your Committee, in the exercise of such authority, accordingly appointed the following Members of the Board for that duty—

The Chairman of the Board,

The Deputy Chairman of the Main Drainage Committee,

Mr. Saunders,	Mr. Collinson,
Mr. Robert Taylor,	Mr. Harris,
Mr. Clark,	Mr. Moreland,
Mr. Newton,	Mr. Silas Taylor,
Mr. Hall,	Major Lyon.

In submitting this, their first Report on the subject, your Committee have to state that the Sub-Committee have met upon several occasions, and afforded valuable information on the several matters now proposed to be dealt with.

It appears, from the information furnished by Captain Shaw, that the number of men of all ranks at present employed under him is 130, and that it is not necessary or advisable to increase the number of the permanent staff at the commencement of the new system, but the Committee are of opinion that the force should gradually be enlarged, as new stations come into operation, and as necessity arises for such increase. The force, as at present composed, consists of 4 Foremen, each having charge of a District, 13 Engineers, 15 Sub-Engineers, 49 Senior Firemen, and 49 Junior Firemen. All the men reside at the Stations to which they are respectively attached, the Foremen and Engineers living rent free, and having coals and gas allowed to them, and the Sub-Engineers and Firemen paying for their quarters, at the rate of from 1s. to 2s. 6d. a week, according to the accommodation afforded to them. It appears to your Committee desirable that this latter arrangement should continue for the present. All these Officers are employed during the seven days in the performance of their duties. Your Committee would also recommend the continunace of the various ranks, as at present constituted, with the modification that the Firemen should be divided into three Classes; that the present Senior Firemen should be called First-Class Firemen, the present Junior Firemen Second-Class Firemen, and that the Third Class should consist of such new men, as shall in future take service in the Brigade.

With regard to the pay and allowances of the men, your Committee would, in the first place, advert to the fact that, under the present system, the men of all ranks, with the exception of the Foremen, receive, in addition to their regular pay, occasional payments

in the shape of Fire Rewards, which vary in amount, depending on the frequency of fires in their respective Districts, but which average about 9s. 6d. a week, for all ranks. These rewards will no longer exist, and your Committee are of opinion that the pay of the men should be increased to an amount equal to that which they have been in the habit of receiving under the form of rewards. From the statement furnished by Captain Shaw, it appears that the Foremen at present receive £120 per annum; and, as before stated, they live at the Stations, rent free, and coal and gas are allowed them. Your Committee have ascertained that the duties of these Officers are of a most important character, and require special qualifications for the proper discharge of them, more especially in the absence of the Chief Officer, when the whole responsibility of conducting the operations devolves upon them. Under the new system, the duties of the Foremen will, no doubt, be considerably increased; there will still be but four Districts, and as the whole area will be greatly extended, the District under the charge of each man will be proportionately enlarged, and as the number of Stations is increased, larger responsibility will devolve upon them. The present Foremen have been many years in the service of the Brigade. Taking these circumstances into consideration, it appears to your Committee that the pay of the Foremen should be in proportion to their enlarged duties and responsibility, and they are of opinion that they should receive 10s. a day each, together with free quarters, coal and gas, as at present. With regard to the Engineers, your Committee find that they now receive £1 8s. per week, with 9s. 6d. average Fire Rewards, and in many cases 3s. 6d. a week for special duties. These special duties are performed by many of the men of all the ranks below that of Foremen, and they have all been in the habit of receiving an additional allowance of 6d. a day, or 3s. 6d. a week, when so employed. Your Committee are of opinion that the Engineers, each of whom is in charge of a Station, should no longer be allowed to perform these special duties, but that an addition to their pay should be made, equivalent to the amount they have been in the habit of receiving from that source. Your Committee, however, see no objection to the men of the other ranks being allowed to continue to discharge these special duties when called upon to do so, and they think they should receive the same payment in respect thereof as heretofore. Your Committee would recommend that the pay of the Engineers should be 6s. a day, which would be about equivalent to the amount they now receive from all sources, and that they should continue to live at the Stations, rent free, and to have the same allowance of coal and gas as at present. The pay of the Sub-Engineers is at present £1 6s. per week, which, with the 9s. 6d. average Fire Rewards, makes £1 15s. 6d. per week, and your Committee are of opinion that their pay should be, for the future, 5s. a day, and that they should pay for their quarters at the rate of from 1s. to 2s. 6d. a week, as at present. The Senior Firemen, in future to be called 1st Class Firemen, now receive £1 4s. 6d. a week, which, with 9s. 6d. a week average Fire Rewards, makes a total weekly sum of £1 14s., and your Committee would recommend that their future rate of pay should be 4s. 6d. a day. The Junior Firemen, or Firemen of the 2nd Class, now receive £1 1s. a week, which, with the 9s. 6d. weekly average Fire Rewards, makes £1 10s. 6d., and your Committee are of opinion that their pay should in future be at the rate of 4s. a day. With regard to the 3rd Class Firemen, a rank which does not exist at present, but which, as above stated, is to consist of such new men as shall in future take service in the force, your Committee would suggest that they should receive 3s. a day, and they are of opinion that the Board would be able to obtain strong and active men to join the

force at that rate. Your Committee beg to submit herewith a list of the men of each rank proposed to be employed by the Board, with their rates of pay, many of whom they have seen, and satisfied themselves of their general fitness for the service.

Your Committee have also considered as to the advisability of continuing the Superannuation Fund which exists at present. It appears that the Foremen subscribe thereto 1s. 9d. a month, and the other men of all ranks 6d. a week each, on the understanding that when a man leaves the service, he receives back all he has paid into the fund, and in case of death, it is paid to his widow. It appears to your Committee that there are many advantages attaching to a Superannuation Fund, and they think it should be continued, the men of all classes, however, paying to the fund at the rate of 6d. per week. In the case of a man being killed in the discharge of his duty, your Committee desire to express their unanimous opinion, that his widow should be provided for by an annuity, which should continue during the pleasure of the Board.

Your Committee would here advert to the fact of certain Special Duties being performed by the present Establishment, such as placing a watch at the Custom House, at the General Post Office, the British Museum, &c., from which a small addition is derived to the revenue, while the strength of the force is in no way affected. It appears to your Committee, that there would be no objection to these Special services being continued pending final arrangements.

Your Committee have also given their attention to the subject of the Clothing to be used by the force. They have ascertained that the present uniform is serviceable, and requires no alteration, except in the case of the Helmet. With regard to this, it appears that the present helmet is very inconvenient, and, at times, distressing to the men, on account of its ready absorption of heat, which causes it to contract, and, in addition to this, it appears desirable that some new pattern should be decided on, which would distinguish the men of the New Brigade from the other bodies who are in the habit of attending at fires. Your Committee have had before them several patterns of helmets, and after careful consideration of their respective merits, it appears to them that a brass helmet, similar to that now submitted, and which is formed on the model of that worn in Paris, would best meet the ends in view. Captain Shaw, at the request of the Sub-Committee, tested the present leather and the proposed brass helmet, in order to ascertain their relative capabilities of withstanding heat, and the result was a decided superiority in favor of the latter. The brass helmets can be obtained in Paris at 10s. each, exclusive of the cost of packing and carriage, and your Committee have ascertained from the War Office, that, for helmets of a somewhat similar kind, viz. those worn by the Dragoon Guards, the price of 12s. 9d. is paid. With regard to the supply of the clothing, boots, and helmets, your Committee have made inquiries as to the course adopted by the War Office and the Commissioners of Metropolitan Police, in obtaining the supplies for the army and police, and have ascertained that the War Office Authorities are in the habit of selecting several houses, and inviting them to tender for what is required; the Police Authorities are accustomed to advertise; the number of Tenderers, however, is always of a limited character, there being comparatively few houses in that branch of trade. Your Committee, having duly considered the subject, are of opinion that the best course would be to select several well known and respectable firms, who are in the habit of tendering for the articles required, and to invite them to send in Tenders.

Your Committee have further considered the subject of the permanent Stations to be erected, to which end it is important that some steps should at once be taken, in order that suitable sites may be determined on, and the erection of the buildings commenced without delay. The Sub-Committee conferred with the Superintending Architect on this subject, and ascertained from him that the duties devolving upon him at the present time, in connection with the works of the Board, were such as would preclude him, for some considerable time to come, from giving any attention to this matter, and it appeared important to them, that he should be left to the discharge of his more important duties, so that the business in his Department might not fall into arrear. It therefore becomes necessary that the duty of reporting on the sites and erecting the buildings for the new Stations, should be entrusted to some other Officer capable of undertaking it. The Sub-Committee had before them a letter from Mr. Cresy, expressing his desire to undertake this duty, and stating that the Chairman had intimated his willingness to permit the transfer of such of his present duties as would enable him to undertake those which would devolve upon him; and considering that Mr. Cresy possesses the professional qualifications necessary for the work, which have been shown by the satisfactory manner in which he discharged similar duties in connection with the erection of the Gas Meter Testing-houses, they were of opinion that it would be advisable to appoint him to examine and report on the sites for the new Stations, to superintend the structural works thereof, and to perform such other duties in connection therewith, as would ordinarily belong to the Architect's Department.

The Board will, no doubt, remember that, on the 1st January, the whole of the the plant, stations, &c., of the Fire Brigade will become vested in the Board, and will be available for the protection of property, and the functions of the Parish Officers will then cease and determine; it therefore becomes necessary that temporary arrangements should be made for the purpose, pending permanent ones. The Sub-Committee, after conferring with Captain Shaw, have prepared a list of places where it would appear most covenient that temporary stations should be maintained, and your Committee recommend that arrangements be made with the several Parishes in which those places are situated for maintaining the Stations for a period of six months, from the 1st January next, and that the Board reimburse to them their actual outlay in respect thereof.

Your Committee have now reported the result of the deliberations of the Sub-Committee up to the present time; many other details remain to be considered, and for these your Committee would beg that further time may be conceded to them. The Resolutions at which your Committee have arrived are as follow, and they beg to submit the same for the approval of your Honorable Board—

That the Metropolis, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, be divided into Four Districts.

That the whole of the men to be employed in the Metropolitan Fire Brigade do live at the Stations to which they are attached; that the Foremen and Engineers live rent free, and have coal and gas allowed to them, as at present, and that the Sub-engineers and Firemen pay for their quarters at the rate of from 1s. to 2s. 6d. per week.

That, for the present, the following appointments be made, viz.—

Four Foremen of Districts at the daily pay of 10s., with free quarters, coal, and gas.

Thirteen Engineers at 6s. per day, with free quarters, coal, and gas.

Fifteen Sub-engineers at 5s. a day, they to pay for their quarters at the same rate as at present.

Forty-nine First-Class Firemen at 4s. 6d. a day, and

Forty-nine Second Class Firemen at 4s. a day, both Classes paying for their quarters at the same rate as at present.

That there be a Third Class of Firemen, to consist of such new men as shall in future take service in the Brigade, and whose pay shall be 3s. a day.

That the special duties performed by the present Establishment be continued by the Brigade, pending final arrangements.

That the Foremen and Engineers be not permitted to perform special duties, but that the Sub-engineers and Firemen be allowed to do so when called upon, and that they be paid for such special duties at the rate of 6d. a day, as at present.

That the superannuation fund, as at present existing, be continued, on the men of all classes, including Foremen, subscribing thereto the sum of 6d. per week.

That in the case of an Officer being killed in the discharge of his duty, his widow be provided for by an annuity, which shall continue during the pleasure of the Board.

That the uniform at present worn by the men be continued, with the exception of the helmet, and that a brass helmet of the form now submitted be adopted, instead of that at present in use.

That a certain number of well known and respectable firms be selected, and invited to tender for the clothing, boots, and helmets required.

That Mr. Cresy be appointed to examine and report on the Sites for the Permanent Stations required, to superintend the structural works thereof, and such other works as would ordinarily belong to the Architect's Department.

That in order to provide for the immediate protection of the Metropolis from fire after the 1st January next, certain temporary Stations, enumerated in the list submitted, be maintained, pending final measures, and that arrangements be made with the Parishes in which such temporary Stations are situated, to maintain the Stations for a period of six months from the 1st January next, the Board re-imbursing them their actual outlay in respect thereof.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 3rd instant, (No. 13), they have examined the Drawings and Specification of the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer. The Engineer has made certain modifications in the Specification, reducing several of the quantities, and substituting cast iron pipes for wrought iron tubes for carrying the sewer under the two West India Dock entrances. The proposed amount of the Bond for ensuring the due execution of the work has also been reduced from £10,000 to £7,000. Your Committee, having conferred with the Engineer on these modifications, concur with him in the desirability of them, and they now recommend—

That the Plans and Specification, as modified, be approved, and that Advertisements be issued inviting Tenders for the execution of the works.

Your Committee have had before them a claim sent in by Mr. William White, Surveyor, for services rendered by him, conjointly with Mr. Oakley, in estimating the damage done to Mr. Dart's premises, in Elizabeth-terrace, Victoria-park, in 1861, by the execution of the Main Drainage Works, and, in attending before the Arbitrator to give evidence. Mr. White sent in a claim for £25 15s., which was considered too large an amount. He has now consented to receive £15 if paid at once, and Mr. Oakley considers that a fair amount for the services rendered. Your Committee recommend—

That a Cheque for £15 be drawn in favour of Mr. White, and paid over to him.

Your Committee have further to report that, in accordance with the resolution of the Board of the 3rd instant (No. 6), they have considered the application of the Fulham District Board of Works, requesting that the Sump sunk by the Contractor in connection

with certain works of sewerage at Walham-green, might be bricked up and arched over, so as to serve as a Well for a supply of water to the neighbourhood. In their previous Report on the subject, your Committee recommended that permission should be given to the District Board to use the sump in question, but that it should be left to them to do such works in connection with it as might be required to convert it into a well. Your Honorable Board having referred the matter back to your Committee, they have given to it further consideration, and have ascertained that, if the sump be not used as a well, it will be necessary to fill it up, and that this will cost half as much as the conversion of it into a well, and having regard to the fact that the well from which the neighbourhood was formerly supplied has been dried up by the sewerage works of the Board, your Committee are of opinion that the request of the District Board should be complied with. With regard to the opinion which has been expressed, that the water obtained from the sump might be prejudicial to health on account of the proximity of the sump to the Western Sewer, your Committee still consider that this is a question for the Medical Officer of the District; but they think it advisable that the attention of the District Board should be called to that view of the matter, and to the necessity of care being taken, so that your Honorable Board may be relieved of all responsibility in respect thereof. Your Committee recommend—

That the sump in question be bricked up for use as a well, and handed over to the Fulham District Board of Works, and that a communication be addressed to the District Board calling their attention to the proximity of the well to the sewer, and to the necessity of care being taken to prevent injury to health from the use thereof.

Your Committee have also proceeded on the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 3rd instant, (No. 16,) referring to them, for consideration, the subject of the supply of Stores to the Pumping Stations and works of the Board, and the appointment of Officers to have charge of the same. The subject of the appointment of Officers to have charge of the stores is still under consideration by your Committee; in the meantime, as the stores are required, they recommend—

That advertisements be issued for the supply of them as follows, viz :—

1,300 gallons best Olive Oil, (300 gallons for Deptford, and 1,000 gallons for Crossness).
8 tons best Russian Tallow, (3 tons for Deptford, and 5 tons for Crossness).
2½ tons best White Cotton Waste, (½ ton for Deptford, and 2 tons for Crossness).

1,000 gallons best Colza Oil.
50 quires Emery Paper.
3 cwt. Kitchen Candles.
3 ,, best Yellow Soap.
600 cubes Brick-dust.
100 blue-check Dusters (2 feet square).
} For Crossness.

Your Committee have received and considered an application from Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Mr. Stirling, for permission to remove a portion of the iron railing by the side of the roadway on the Northern Outfall Sewer, for the purpose of erecting a counting-house on Mr. Stirling's wharf, abutting upon that road. The Engineer reports that it might hereafter become advisable to widen the roadway upon the top of the embankment, and, if the present application were granted, this could not be done. Under these circumstances, your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also received and considered an application from Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Miss Porter, for permission to form roads over the Northern Outfall Sewer Embankment, for the purpose of connecting her lands abutting thereon, near the Stratford-road, and also offering to purchase the slopes of the Embankment on the sides of the road in question, and to negotiate for the whole or part of the frontage on the High-road between Abbey-lane and Mr. Geere's dwelling-house. Your Honorable Board decided, on the 30th June last, (No. 3), to retain the land belonging to them in that neighbourhood, on account of its probable increase in value at a future time, and as the formation of the roadways proposed might interfere with the future requirements of the Board in respect to their sewer or property, your Committee recommend—

That the application be not granted.

Your Committee have also considered an application from Mr. W. H. Crispin, offering to purchase a portion of the land belonging to the Board in the Stratford-road, adjoining the Northern Outfall Sewer. For the reasons given in the preceding case, your Committee recommend—

That the offer be not entertained.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the resolution of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 15), they have considered the Engineer's Report, suggesting the purchase of a strip of land, containing about a quarter of an acre, on the West side of Abbey-creek, in order to provide wharfage accommodation at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station. The portion of land in question is adjacent to some land belonging to the same owner, which the Board have arranged to purchase for the works of the Northern Outfall Sewer, the conveyance of which is now awaiting completion. Your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Oakley be instructed to negotiate for the purchase of the additional piece of land required, on the same terms as those for which the Board have already arranged to purchase land in the vicinity.

Your Committee have further to report that, in compliance with the resolution of your Honorable Board of the 17th instant, (No. 14), they have considered the case of James Poole, who has been five years in the service of the Board, as temporary Inspector of cement and concrete in the Southern District, and who is now in the hospital suffering from cancer of the tongue, and incapacitated from following any employment. The Engineer states that he was an attentive and trustworthy man, and that the work on which he was engaged no doubt aggravated the disease from which he is suffering. In consideration of these circumstances, your Committee recommend.—

That an allowance of 10s. a week be made to him for three months, such allowance to be payable to his wife.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
R. FREEMAN.
J. LONG.

The Lists of the Men proposed to be appointed in the new Fire Brigade, and of the proposed Temporary Stations, referred to in the foregoing Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That, for the present, and until further order, the Metropolis, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, be divided into four Districts.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, the whole of the men to be employed in the Metropolitan Fire Brigade do live at the stations to which they are attached; that the Foremen and Engineers live rent free, and have coal and gas allowed to them, as at present, and that the Sub-engineers and Firemen do pay for their quarters, at the rate of from 1s. to 2s. 6d. per week, according to the accommodation afforded to them.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, Four Foremen of Districts be appointed, at the daily pay of 10s., with free quarters, coal, and gas.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, Thirteen Engineers be appointed, at 6s. per day, with free quarters, coal, and gas.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, Fifteen Sub-Engineers be appointed, at 5s. per day, and that they do pay for their quarters, at the same rate as at present.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Roche—That the engagement with the several Officers to be appointed in the foregoing Classes, be terminable by a month's notice on either side.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, Forty-nine First Class Firemen be appointed, at 4s. 6d. per day; that they do pay for their quarters at the same rate as at present, and that their respective engagements be terminable by a month's notice on either side.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and until further order, Forty-nine Second Class Firemen be appointed, at 4s. per day; that they do pay for their quarters at the same rate as at present, and that their respective engagements be terminable by a month's notice on either side.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That there be a Third Class of Firemen, to consist of such new men as shall in future take service in the Brigade; that their pay be 3s. a day, and that their respective engagements be terminable by a week's notice on either side.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded—That John C. Bridges, William Swanton, George Tiviotdale, and Richard Gatehouse, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Foremen of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Legg—"That, as "the Committee have altogether ignored the merits and services of those Officers who "have been employed by the Vestries and District Boards, and have selected persons to "fill up the proposed appointments wholly from amongst the servants of private esta- "blishments, only one-half the number of the appointments now recommended be "filled up, to enable the Board to consider the claims of those servants in the several "Parishes, who have faithfully and meritoriously served the public."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative; and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That Paul Girard, William Maidman, William Flinn, William Medcalf, William Brown, George Gerrard, Samuel Helps, Alfred Johnson, William Hambyn, William Withers, Joseph C. Gerrard, James Palmer, and John Flaxmore be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Engineers of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That George Legg, William Perdue, George Robbins, John Lilly, Robert Line, Charles Brown, James Ford, William Puckett, Thomas Langhelt, Charles Derwry, Charles Langhelt, Alfred Holmden, Charles Radford, Richard F. Taylor, and Raymond Drake be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Sub-Engineers of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That Joseph Perkins, James Lee, George Middleton, Thomas Sharp, Isaac Hodges, George Duck, Henry Godward, James Wickenden, Richard Percival, George Smoker, Arthur Orchard, William Port, James G. Sergant, Theophilus Denyer, William Longbottom, Walter Brundell, Henry Harwood, Nimrod Bates, Charles Peddar, William H. Taylor, John Howard, William Goard, George Hollingshed, Thomas Taylor, Edwin Goodchild, Sidney Fogden, George Wall, Charles Little, Herbert Williams, Henry Dubber, George Bull, James Cooper, John Bailey, William Young, Edward C. Cockburn, Joseph Payne, George Morgan, Stephen Martin, Robert Styles, William Bates, sen., Henry Ward, Thomas Meehan, William Hutchings, Thomas Scott, Edward Bailey, Robert Fisher, James Potter, Thomas Wingfield, and Alfred Triming be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, First-Class Firemen of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That Frederick Disher, John Gooding, John William Hale, James Belford, Thomas Pover, James Marshall, William Penfold, William F. Smart, William Howell, William Bates, jun., Thomas Kennett, William H. Daman, Henry Day, Thomas Troy, James Donne, William Aslin, John J. Vincent, William Byfield, George Jones, James Joyce, George Miles, Frederick Smart, Josias G. Horton, Henry Horton, John Meeks, Cornelius Lane, James Hoy, William Fuller, William Philcox, William Harman, Charles B. Childs, Robert A. Page, Thomas Dolton, John Everett, John J. Henderson, Samuel B. Wilkins, John Affleck, George Pearson, Charles Webb, John Palmer Summers, James C. Bradley, Richard J. Webb, George Palmer, William Gander, Stephen Hawkes, Henry E. Hill, William R. Devine, William Chalkley, and George Wood, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Second-Class Firemen of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

Resolved—That the foregoing several appointments of Officers and Firemen of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade do date from, and the respective salaries do commence on, the 1st January, now next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That, for the present, and pending final arrangements, the special duties performed by the existing Establishment be continued by the Brigade.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Foremen and Engineers be not permitted to perform special duties, but that the Sub-engineers and Firemen be allowed to do so when called upon, and that they be paid for such special duties at the rate of 6d. a day, as at present.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That the Superannuation Fund, as at present existing, be continued, on the men of all classes, including Foremen, subscribing thereto the sum of 6d. per week.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That in the case of an Officer or Fireman being killed in the discharge of his duty, his Widow be provided for by an Annuity, which shall continue during the pleasure of the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That the Uniform at present worn by the men, be continued, with the exception of the Helmet, and that a brass Helmet, of the form now submitted, be adopted, instead of that at present in use.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That a certain number of well-known and respectable firms be selected, and invited to tender for the clothing, boots, and helmets required.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That the subject of the Uniform be referred back to the Committee, and that they be authorized to make all the necessary arrangements for procuring the same.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That Mr. Cresy be appointed to examine and report on the sites for the permanent Stations required, to superintend the structural works thereof, and such other works as would ordinarily belong to the Architect's Department.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That, in order to provide for the immediate protection of the Metropolis from Fire, after the 1st January next, temporary Stations be maintained at the undermentioned localities, and pending final measures, that arrangements be made with the Parishes in which such temporary Stations are situated, to maintain the Stations for a period of six months, from the 1st January next, the Board reimbursing them their actual outlay in respect thereof, viz.—

A District.

1	Camden Town.	6	Royal Oak.
2	South Kensington.	7	St. John's Wood-road.
3	Ladbroke-square.	8	Sloane-square.
4	Hammersmith.	9	Fulham-road.
5	Paddington-green.		

B District.

1	Islington.	2	Holloway-road.

C District.

1	Hackney.	7	Church-street, Bethnal Green.
2	Stoke Newington (or West Hackney).	8	Globe-fields.
3	De Beauvoir-town.	9	Limehouse Church.
4	South Hackney.	10	Millwall.
5	Hornsey New-town.	11	Whitechapel Church.
6	Bow.	12	Shoreditch.

D District.

1	Walworth.	4	Peckham.
2	Greenwich.	5	Wandsworth.
3	Deptford.	6	Brixton.

Resolved—That it be referred back to the Committee to negotiate with the respective authorities for maintaining the temporary Stations at the above-mentioned localities, for the period referred to.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the following works, comprising the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, as modified, viz.—9,378 feet of circular brick sewer, 4 feet in diameter, and a double line of iron pipes, each 2 feet 10 inches in diameter, for a length of 300 feet, commencing at the Northern Low Level Sewer in Four Mills-street, Poplar, and terminating in Manchester-road, East Ferry-road, Isle of Dogs, be executed; that the Plans and Specification of the same, now submitted, be approved, and that advertisements be issued, inviting Tenders for the execution of the works.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That a Cheque for £15 be drawn in favour of Mr. W. White, for services rendered in connection with the claim of Mr. Dart, for damage to his houses, Nos. 1 to 6, Elizabeth-terrace, Victoria-park; and a Cheque was drawn on the Main Drainage Account, accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That the Sump sunk by the Contractor in connection with the Sewerage Works at Walham-green, be bricked up for use as a Well, and handed over to the Fulham District Board of Works, and that a communication be addressed to the District Board, calling their attention to the proximity of the Well to the Sewer, and to the necessity of care being taken to prevent injury to health from the use thereof.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Freeman—That Advertisements be issued for the supply of the following stores, viz.—

1,300 gallons best Olive Oil, (300 gallons for Deptford and 1,000 gallons for Crossness.)
8 tons best Russian Tallow, (3 tons for Deptford, and 5 tons for Crossness).
2½ tons best White Cotton Waste, (½ ton for Deptford, and 2 tons for Crossness).
1,000 gallons best Colza Oil.
50 quires Emery Paper.
3 cwt. Kitchen Candles.
3 „ best Yellow Soap.
600 cubes Brick-dust.
100 blue-check Dusters (2 feet square).
} For Crossness.

Resolved—That the Engineer do obtain samples of the several stores required.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Carpmael, and

Resolved—That the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Mr. Stirling, for permission to remove the railing of a portion of the Northern Outfall Sewer enclosure, be not granted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Miss Porter, for leave to construct a roadway over the Northern Outfall Sewer, be not granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Cook—That so much of the Report as relates to the offer of Mr. W. Crispin, to purchase part of the Board's land, at Stratford, be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That Mr. Oakley be instructed to negotiate for the purchase, by the Board, of a strip of land, containing about a quarter of an acre, on the West side of Abbey Creek, required for wharfage accommodation at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, on the same terms as those for which the Board have arranged to purchase land for the works of the Northern Outfall Sewer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That an allowance of 10s. per week, for a period of three months, be made to James Pool, temporary Inspector of cement and concrete in the Southern District, who is now in the Hospital, suffering from Cancer, such allowance to be payable to his wife.

4. Mr. Collinson having called the attention of the Board to the fact that the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company were taking up the pavement in Southwark-street, for the purpose of laying down their mains, and were injuring the brickwork of the side-entrance to the Board's Subway,

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Hall, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Engineer and Solicitor, to advise the Board as to what steps are necessary to be taken for the purpose of preventing any interference with the property of the Board in the new street, and for protecting their interests.

5. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows--

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
22nd November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the following Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Charrington, Head, and Co., the "Acorn" public-house—			
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Loxley and Morley) - - -		£18	18 0
Re Dr. Spinks, No. 6, The College, Doctors'-commons—			
Compensation (Dr. Thomas Spinks) - - - -		750	0 0
Solicitor's Costs (Mr. A. J. Baylis) - - - -		50	0 0
Re Dr. Tristram, No. 4, The College, Doctors' Commons—			
Compensation (Dr. T. H. Tristram) - - - -		250	0 0
Re Stebbing, No. 17, Labour-in-Vain-yard—			
Purchase-money (to be paid into Court) - - -		800	0 0
Re Halls, No. 16, St. Peter's-hill—			
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Roberts and Simpson) - -		20	17 11
Re John Wild Gabriel and Benjamin W. Gabriel, 228, Upper Thames Street—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. Marrable) Moiety of Settlement, £700 -	£15 0 0		
Re Ditto, 7, Helmet-court—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. Marrable) Moiety of Settlement, £250 -	8 0 0		
Re Ditto, 8, Helmet-court—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. Marrable) Moiety of Settlement, £250 -	8 0 0		
		31	0 0

Your Committee have also to report that their attention has been called to the duty, at present performed by your Accountant, of examining the Books and reporting upon the claims of parties in respect of their trade interests in property required by your Honorable Board, for the purposes of the several improvements which are confided to them by the Legislature, and of giving evidence, if necessary, in support thereof, before

Arbitrators and Juries. It will be in the recollection of your Honorable Board that this was made to form a part of the duties of the Accountant, in pursuance of a recommendation made by your Committee on the 26th February, 1864, (No. 25). This duty has, up to the present time, been wholly and satisfactorily discharged by Mr. Hughes; but it appears, from information they have had before them, that it will be impossible for him, without allowing his other important duties to fall into arrear, to continue to perform all the details of the work above referred to. Your Committee have given careful attention to this matter, and having regard to the number and importance of the Accounts which it devolves upon Mr. Hughes to keep, and to the necessity there exists for the efficient and punctual discharge of the duties connected with the same, they consider that an additional Officer should be appointed in the Accountant's Department, whose duty it should be to assist Mr. Hughes in the examination of claims, and to perform such other duties as may be confided to him. Your Committee have considered as to the qualifications requisite for the proper discharge of the duties required, and are of opinion that the Officer appointed should possess an intimate knowledge of commercial accounts and transactions. Your Committee are also of opinion that a person, competent to the discharge of these duties, can be obtained at a commencing salary of £150 per annum, and that Candidates should be invited for the office by public Advertisement, and that they should undergo a competitive examination. Your Committee accordingly recommend—

> That an Assistant Clerk, acquainted with commercial accounts and transactions, be appointed in the Accountant's Department, in the Second Class of Officers, at the commencing salary of £150 per annum, being the minimum salary of that Class; that Advertisements do issue inviting Candidates for the Office, and that it be referred back to your Committee, to take all the necessary steps for selecting a competent person for appointment by the Board.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. Baring, on the subject of the proposed consolidation of the Municipal District Boards in the Metropolis, referred by your Honorable Board, on the 10th instant, (No. 2). Sir George Grey, in the letter in question, directs attention to the Debate which took place in the House of Commons, on the 13th June last, on the motion of Sir William Fraser, for the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the operation of the Act, 18 and 19 Victoria, cap. 120, so far as relates to the paving, lighting, and cleansing of the Metropolis, and expresses a desire to receive any observations, and suggestions which your Honorable Board might wish to make on the subject of the proposed consolidation. After a full consideration of the question, your Committee are of opinion that, although there may be some matters in which the appellate jurisdiction of the Board might be advantageously extended, the Metropolis Local Management Act has, on the whole, worked well, taking into consideration the many difficulties with which the several Vestries and Districts Boards have had to contend, and the shortness of the period during which their powers have been exercised, and therefore that a consolidation of the Vestries and District Boards is uncalled for. Your Committee recommend—

> That the Chairman be requested to address a communication to Sir George Grey, respectfully intimating to him the above opinion.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board

of the 17th instant, (No. 4), considered the several Tenders for the erection of Hoards, Fans, Shoring, &c., for the new line of thoroughfare, extending from Westminster Bridge to the Mansion House. Your Committee have received a Report from your Superintending Architect on the Seven Tenders received, and, having ascertained that the Tender of Mr. J. W. Brooker is the lowest, they recommend—

That his Tender be accepted, provided that the result of inquiry as to his responsibility be satisfactory.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
GEO. PECKETT.
J. O. HALL.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That an Assistant Clerk, acquainted with commercial accounts and transactions, be appointed in the Accountant's Department, in the 2nd Class of Officers, at the commencing salary of £150 per annum, being the minimum salary of that Class; that Advertisements do issue inviting Candidates for the Office, and that it be referred back to the Committee, to take all the necessary steps for selecting a competent person for appointment by the Board.

Read a letter from Messrs. James and Wheatley, Clerks to the Board of Works for the Greenwich District, dated 23rd November, 1865, with copy Resolution of the District Board, stating their opinion that no necessity appeared to have been shown for the appointment of a Commission to inquire into the operation of the Act 18 and 19 Vict., cap. 120, so far as relates to the paving, lighting, and cleansing of the Metropolis, or for the consolidation of the District Municipal Boards in the Metropolis.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Hall—That the Chairman be requested to address a communication to the Right Honorable Sir George Grey, in reply to his letter, respectfully intimating the opinion of this Board that, although there may be some matters in which the appellate jurisdiction of the Board might be advantageously extended, the Metropolis Local Management Act has, on the whole, worked well, taking into consideration the many difficulties with which the several Vestries and District Boards have had to contend, and the shortness of the period during which their powers have been exercised. The Board is therefore of opinion that a consolidation of the Vestries and District Boards is uncalled for.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Le Breton, and seconded by Mr. Clark—
" That the Chairman be requested to address a communication to The Right Honorable
" Sir George Grey, in reply to his letter, respectfully intimating the opinion of this Board
" that, although there may be matters in which a controlling power over Vestries and
" District Boards, as to paving, lighting, and sanitary measures, might be advantageously
" conferred on this Board, the Metropolis Local Management Act has, on the whole,
" worked well, taking into consideration the many difficulties with which the several
" Vestries and District Boards have had to contend, and the shortness of the period during
" which their powers have been exercised. The Board is of opinion that a consolidation
" of the Vestries and District Boards is uncalled for."

After discussion, the **amendment** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Shaw, pursuant to notice, as follows—"That "it is the opinion of this Board that the Vestries of the Metropolitan Parishes are competent "and desirous of improving the roads, paving, and lighting of the thoroughfares in their "respective Districts, and, in order to assist the Vestries in carrying into effect these desires, "it be recommended to Her Majesty's Government to introduce a measure for the transfer- "ence of the duties on all Hackney Carriages and Omnibuses to the Metropolitan Board, to "be proportionally placed to the credit of the several Metropolitan Parishes; and that, the "Legislature having recently resolved that Hospitals, Infirmaries, and all other benevolent "and charitable Institutions should be rated, for the purpose of contributing towards defray- "ing the expense of improving the paving, and lighting the streets and thoroughfares of "the Metropolis, it is, in the opinion of this Board, only consistent and just in principle, that "all public buildings of every description should be similarly rated for the same purpose."

The **amendment** was not seconded.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Major Lyon, and seconded by Mr. Legg—"That "the receipt of the communication be acknowledged, and that it be intimated to Mr. "Baring, that the Board feel it is a subject upon which they can offer no suggestions or "observations, but this Board will be prepared to take into their consideration any Bill "which Sir George Grey may desire to bring before Parliament."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—1.	Against the Amendment—21.	
Legg, C., Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.
	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
	Brooker, J., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
	Brushfield, T., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
	Clark, W., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
	Collinson, E., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq,
	Cook, E. R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
	Evans, B., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.
	Freeman, R. Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
	Healey, F., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.
	Teller—Mr. Phillips.	

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, and seconded by Mr. Healey —"That the Chairman be requested to address a communication to The Right Honora- "ble Sir George Grey, in reply to his letter, respectfully intimating the opinion of this "Board that the Metropolis Local Management Act has, on the whole, worked well, "taking into consideration the many difficulties with which the several Vestries and "District Boards have had to contend, and the shortness of the period during which their "powers have been exercised. The Board is therefore of opinion that a consolidation "of the Vestries and District Boards is uncalled for."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—11.		Against the Amendment—13.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	Beven, T., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Taylor, Robert, Esq.	Evans, B., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Tite, W., Esq., M.P.
Teller—Mr. Silas Taylor.		Teller—Mr. Phillips.	

The **original motion** was then put to the vote, and carried in the affirmative, and it was

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested to address a communication to The Right Honorable Sir George Grey, in reply to his letter, respectfully intimating the opinion of this Board that, although there may be some matters in which the appellate jurisdiction of the Board might be advantageously extended, the Metropolis Local Management Act has, on the whole, worked well, taking into consideration the many difficulties with which the several Vestries and District Boards have had to contend, and the shortness of the period during which their powers have been exercised. The Board is, therefore, of opinion that a consolidation of the Vestries and District Boards is uncalled for.

It was **moved** by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. J. W. Brooker, for the erection of Hoards, Fans, Shoring, &c., for the new line of thoroughfare, extending from Westminster-bridge to the Mansion House, be accepted, provided that the result of inquiry as to his responsibility be satisfactory.

6. The Engineer reported, verbally, that Mr. Webster, the Contractor, would be ready, in the course of ten days or a fortnight, to lay the first stone of the new Pumping Station at Abbey Mills.

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to make the arrangements necessary for the attendance of the Members of the Board, on the occasion referred to.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th November, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Board—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
POPLAR.				
Kingfield-street, Cubitt-town .	510	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
ISLINGTON.				
Red-cap-lane, Upper Holloway	120	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
Culford-road, Ball's Pond-road	140	12 inch	pipe	
CAMBERWELL.				
Londonderry-road and	500	3′0″×2′0″	½ brick	The same as applied for.
Denmark-road . . .	300	12 inch	pipe	

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Board be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

8. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
23rd November, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH.

Return of the quantity of filling-in material supplied respectively from the Land and the River to these works, during the week ending the 22nd instant—

	Material supplied from the Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	2,758	...
No. 2 Contract	...	...
	2,758	...

The quantity of this material supplied to the works from the first Weekly Return made to the Board on the 9th December last, to the 22nd instant, is as follows—

	Land. Cube Yards.	River. Cube Yards.
No. 1 Contract	107,554	160,720
No. 2 Contract	6,864	10,176
	114,418	170,896

Total quantity from both sources - - - - 285,314 cube yards.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be received.

9. Read a report by the Engineer, dated 23rd November, 1865, recommending the underpinning of the invert of the Ranelagh Sewer, by Sloane-square, for a length of about 100 feet, at an estimated cost of £200, under the Contract for General Works.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 24th November, 1865, recommending that the requisite wharf-wall for the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, be built by Mr. Webster, in conjunction with his works for the foundations of the building, at an estimated cost of £5,000, and stating that it was necessary the wharf should be constructed without delay, in order to facilitate the landing of the engines, machinery, &c., as they arrive from the foundry, as well as of the materials for the building.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 23rd November, 1865, on letters from Mr. W. Browning, No. 45, City-road, applying for compensation for alleged loss and inconvenience sustained from the execution of certain sewerage works in front of his premises, setting forth the facts, and recommending that the Board decline to admit their liability to the claim.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be sent to Mr. Browning.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of the Board of Works for the Westminster District, for permission to stop up a part of the

Horseferry-road, near Medway-street, for three days, for the purpose of laying down a new crossing, recommending the sanction of the Board thereto.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question by the said District Board, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the work.

13. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Jury Precept, in the matter of the claim of Mr. William Balls, for alleged injury to his premises, Brunton Cottage, Commercial-road, East, by the sewerage works of the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Jury Precept, and that the Solicitor be authorized to consult the Contractor as to depositing the same; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

14. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. John J. Peddell, dated 17th November, 1865, stating, with reference to the claim of Mr. Barber, for alleged interference with property in Church-street, Deptford, by the Southern High Level Sewer works, that Mr. Charles Lee, the Arbitrator agreed to by the Board on the 22nd April, 1864, (No. 15), was unable, from ill health, to give the subject the requisite attention, but that Mr. Lee's son would, with the concurrence of the Board, act as Arbitrator.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, and that they be authorized to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive with reference thereto.

15. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the claim of Mr. Hawes, for alleged damage to his premises, Commerce House, Walham-green, that he had received no reply from the Contractor, and that the Judge would give no more time, and that it would be necessary, to prevent execution, to draw Cheques to-day, as follow, viz., Mr. George Hawes, £15; Mr. Cridland, £118 11s. 10d.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That Cheques be now drawn for the said amounts; and Cheques were drawn on the Main Drainage Account, accordingly.

16. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Instrument of Security, prepared to secure the Loan of £100,000 to the Commissioners for the Reduction of the National Debt, for the purposes of the Thames Embankment Act, 1863, (South) on the terms and conditions set forth therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Instrument of Security; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

Resolved—That the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury be requested to guarantee the payment of the said principal moneys, and interest, in the manner stated at the foot of the said Instrument of Security.

Resolved—That a Cheque in favor of Mr. Harrison, be now drawn for the sum of £125, being the amount of the Stamp Duty payable on the above Deed; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, accordingly.

17. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Report, with reference to the claim of Mr. H. W. Keys, for alleged damage to his houses in Dove-place, Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage works.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the claim be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, and that they be authorized to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive, with reference thereto.

18. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 5), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following localities, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Dacre-park,	Plumstead.
Belmont-hill, &c.,	do.
Lee-lane, &c.,	do.
Pownall-road, &c.,	Shoreditch.
Neate-street, &c.,	Camberwell.
Thistle-grove, &c.,	Kensington.
Montpelier-square,	Westminster.
Church-road or Eton-road,	Hampstead.
London-house-yard,	City.
Baldwin's Gardens,	Holborn.
Portpool-lane,	do.
Brooksby-street,	Islington.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Orders and Plans respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Capt. R. A. Oliver, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to his house, No. 38, Grove End-road, St. John's-wood, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

20. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Croaker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops in front of four houses, Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4, Moat-terrace, Lower Wandsworth-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground outside the proposed shops be given up for the improvement of the footway, that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

21. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Paise, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable in the garden of his house, situate at the corner of Merton-road, Lower Tooting, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be not granted.

22. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Godden and Webb, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico and balcony to the house, No. 20, Upper Brook-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

23. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. C. Harrison, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five houses, one being a corner house with a bay-window, in Keeton's-road, and of a stable and shop in Francis-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

24. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of the " Jolly Farmers" beer shop, in High-street, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report, and that Mr. Brooker be invited to attend the meeting of the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Samuel Howe, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico to the house No. 35,Grosvenor-street, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the portico be kept entirely off the door steps of the house adjoining; that the plinths of the columns do not project beyond the outer face of the area curb, and that in other respects it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Ellis, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a verandah roof over the private and pit entrances to the Strand Theatre, in Surrey-street, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. S. M. Slater, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house, No. 131, East-street, Walworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. John Ebbs and Sons, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a room over a stable, at No. 8, Northwick-terrace, Maida-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the end of the stable, and the new erection over it, do not project further

towards Northwick-terrace than the stable does at present, that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. R. Gover, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to six houses in the high road, from Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed windows do not exceed that of the ground stories of the houses, that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Davy, for the approval of an amended design for the elevation of a shop front at No. 64, Harrow-road, Paddington, the erection of which was sanctioned by the Board, on the 6th October last (No. 2).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the design now submitted be approved.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Patrick and Son, for the approval by the Board of the construction of wooden eaves, porches, barge boards and dormers, to cottages on the estate of the Blakeley Ordnance Company at East Greenwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on a further application of Mr. J. Goldicutt Turner, on behalf of Mr. Charles King, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable in the garden of his house, No. 1, Park-terrace, Highbury, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Clark—That the application be not granted.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the amended application of Mr. Thomas Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bow-window to the house, No. 71, Jermyn-street, St. James's, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Bidgood, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Legg, on behalf of Mrs. Ram, for the approval by the Board of lines of frontage proposed to be formed in Manor-road and Blue Anchor-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, the proposed lines being in advance of those in other parts of the roads.

It was **moved** by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Miller, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house

at the corner of Greenwich-road and Devonshire-road, Greenwich, which would project beyond the general line of frontage in Devonshire-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hill and Paraire, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a porch, buttresses, and angle turrets to a proposed new chapel in Devonshire-street, Islington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Clark—That the application be not granted.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Webster, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window to the house, No. 2, Wellington-villas, New-road, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown upon the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. W. Chinnock, on behalf of the Lord Chief Justice of England, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a bay-window at the rear of his house, No. 40, Hertford-street, May Fair, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 18th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. J. Green, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 414 and 416, Hackney-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Stanton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico at the corner of his house, No. 56, Amwell-street, Clerkenwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the projection do not exceed half the width of the area in front of the house; that in other respects it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Kirk, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two bow-windows, one to a house in Tredegar-road, and the other to a house in Coborn New-road, Bow, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Mudd, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a new pent-house in front of his shop in High-street, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed pent-house be constructed with iron columns or pillars; that the roof be covered with incombustible materials; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Champion Wetton, on behalf of Messrs. Bunnett and Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of stables and coach-house at their works, at New Cross, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Norton, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico and balcony at the house, No. 25, Upper Brook-street, Park-lane, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the portico be made open; that the plinths of the columns do not project beyond the outer face of the area curb; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Freeman, on behalf of the Sun Fire Insurance Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a portico, and other architectural projections, to a building on the site of the houses, Nos. 60 and 61, Charing Cross, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Cook, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed pilasters do not project more than 6 inches beyond the general line of the building; that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. D. Berry, on behalf of Mr. Head, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a conservatory, at his residence in Garrett-lane, Wandsworth, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the applicant be informed that the Board do not object to the use of iron columns to support the conservatory, but that they cannot sanction wooden enclosures beneath the window sills; and that on his substituting brickwork 9 inches in thickness, the building can be erected under the supervision of the District Surveyor; and that a communication to the like effect be sent to the District Surveyor.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. D. Couland, on behalf of Messrs. Kirkman and Co., for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at their pianoforte manufactory, at the end of Cambridge-road, Hammersmith.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 11th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. C. Hills, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at his chemical works, at East Greenwich.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Edwardes, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at his premises in Pratt-mews, Pratt-street, Camden-town.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Hamilton and Company, on behalf of Mr. Healey, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an iron and glass roof to a waggon shed, at his premises at North Woolwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the iron-work be put together and fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of an addition in front of a house, at the North-western corner of Burdett-road, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the iron work be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. Randle, that a temporary iron church in Mack's-road, Bermondsey, the erection of which was sanctioned by the Board on the 30th September, 1864, (No. 58), might be allowed to remain.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that the building be allowed to remain for a further period of twelve months, from the 30th September last.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Kynock, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a conservatory at the rear of the house, No. 1, Angell Park-gardens, and of a balcony and stairs at the rear of the houses, Nos. 2 and 3, Angell Park-gardens, Brixton, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the portion of the conservatory between the window sill and the bresummer over the brick piers be 9 inches, instead of 4½ inches, in thickness.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mrs. E. Ratcliff, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an iron workshop and stable at the rear of her house, No. 1, Saint Leonard's-terrace, Upper Sydenham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Filewood, for the approval by the Board of the erection of an iron and brick building, at his premises in Upper Russell-street, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Brushfield, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the corrugated iron enclosures of a portion of the upper story be securely fixed to iron columns or standards, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Green, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at his premises in Dod-street, Limehouse, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. J. Hammon, on behalf of Mr. Wilson, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a building in Holly-bush-gardens, Bethnal Green-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Long—That the application be granted, on condition that the fence in front of the proposed building be removed, and the ground added to the public way.

58. The Solicitor reported that it might become necessary, before the meeting of the Board on Friday next, to affix the Seal of the Board to Jury Precepts in the matter of the claims of Messrs. William Kakell, John Taylor, and Henry William Goff and wife, in respect of alleged injury to their property, by the execution of the works of the Northern Low Level Sewer.

Resolved—That the Finance Committee be, and they are hereby authorized, to affix the Common Seal of the Board to the said Precepts.

Resolved—That if in the above three cases, and in the case of William Balls, the Contractor should apply to conduct the proceedings, he be allowed to do so.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Glasier and Sons, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, and the widening of two old roads, at West-end, Hampstead, and of the name "West End-road," proposed to be given to the new road.

Resolved—That the application, so far as relates to the formation and widening of the roads, be granted, on condition that the gradients be made as shown on the Plan submitted by the Vestry of Hampstead, and that the applicant be requested to submit some other name, not in use in the Metropolis, in place of that proposed.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Saunders, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 44, Moscow-road, Bayswater, and of the formation of a street at the rear of the said premises, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the application be not granted.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th November, 1865, on the Memorial of Mr. Benjamin C. Lockwood, and nine other leaseholders and occupiers of houses in Denmark-terrace, Blenheim-road, Holloway, complaining of the stopping up of that thoroughfare, by the erection of houses, and the formation of a new road at the South end thereof.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the memorialists be informed that the Board have no power to interfere in the matter.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, relative to the erection of a fence in front of Mr. Merritt's premises, in Devonshire-road, Forest-hill, whereby the road, which is in the hands of the London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway Company, is reduced to less than 40 feet, in width.

It was moved by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that notice be served on the Railway Company and Mr. Merritt, to the effect that the Board will enforce the law, if the fence be not removed by Thursday next.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th November, 1865, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 10th November instant, (No. 3), on the letter from Mr. Charles C. Ceely, on behalf of the Board of Works for the Poplar District, calling attention to the erection of a building on the South side of the East India Dock-road, whereby the width of the entrance to a narrow way, called Cottage-street, was reduced to 4 feet 3 inches.

It was moved by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Solicitor, and that he do advise the Board whether the building in question is in contravention of the 98th Section of the Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Gatliff, on behalf of the Metropolitan Association for Improving the Dwellings of the Industrious Classes, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for laying out the space between two rows of cottages, in Albert-street, Mile End New Town, as gardens, instead of paving it, as required by the Order of the Board of the 3rd June, 1864, (No. 13).

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

65. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Pound, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a street to lead out of Robertson-street towards Taunton-road, Lee, and of the name "Stoneyard-place," for the same.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Bidgood—That the application be granted.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Oliver Pitts, for the approval by the Board of the erection of houses, to front the High-road at Walham-green, or for the formation of two paved streets at the rear, with single entrances, as shown upon the alternative Plans, marked **A** and **B**, accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the Plan for the erection of the houses next the High-road, be granted, provided that the applicant do obtain the consent of the Local Board to the exchange of the land tinted yellow on the Plan marked A, for the land tinted dark pink; but that the Plan for the formation of the two narrow streets, be not approved.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. D. Couland, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a range of sheds, at the end of Cambridge-road, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the sheds be kept to the line of frontage of the houses in the street.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Boutcher, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews, Eastward of Portobello-road, Notting-hill, and of the name "Golden-mews" for the same.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 22nd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John W. Morris, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a house in Grundy-street, Poplar, on a site between two narrow streets, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Cook, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Berriman, for the approval by the Board of the name "Maude-road" for a new street adjoining the high road at Peckham, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 20th October last, (No. 49).

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the application be granted.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Dent, for the incorporation of Cannon-street and Cannon-street West, City, and for the re-numbering the houses therein.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Bell, for the approval by the Board of the names "Corunna-place" and "Corunna-terrace" for two new streets abutting on Stewart's-lane, Battersea the

Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 31st March last, (No. 40).

It was moved by Mr. Clark, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

73. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. B. Edwards, for the abolition of the subsidiary names in Shepherdess-walk, Shoreditch, and the re-numbering of the houses therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

74. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Lahee, on behalf of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the approval by the Board of the names "Blantyre-street," "Seaton-street," and "Luna-street," for three streets, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on 22nd January, 1864, (No. 28), and requesting that the houses in Blantyre-street might be re-numbered.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Robert Taylor—That the names submitted be approved, and that the application for the re-numbering of the houses in Blantyre-street be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

75. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. H. Cullingford, for the approval by the Board of the name "Palmerston Gate" for three new houses at Bayswater-hill, Uxbridge-road.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted, and that the applicant be informed that the Board cannot sanction subsidiary names for blocks of houses, forming parts of a main thoroughfare.

76. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. B. Browning, that the name "Trentham-terrace" might be affixed to the row of houses in Grove-road, Mile End-road, called by that name, or that the whole of the houses in Grove-road might be re-numbered.

It was moved by Mr. Robert Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town

77. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. W. Moseley, District Surveyor, relative to the insecure construction of the floor of Hemingford Hall, Hemingford-road, Barnsbury, and stating that his requirements in relation thereto had not been complied with.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the parties concerned be summoned before the Board, to show cause why the requirements of the District Surveyor should not be complied with.

78. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 17th November, 1865, certifying that the improvement in Rochester-row, Westminster, towards which the Board agreed, on the 31st May, 1861, (No. 4), to contribute the sum of £300, had been satisfactorily completed, and that the Westminster District Board of Works was therefore entitled to the payment of the contribution in question.

It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Robert Taylor, and

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for £300, and be paid to the Westminster

District Board of Works; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

79. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 10th November instant, (No. 39,) on the letter of Mr. Allen, Vestry Clerk of Saint Ann, Soho, requesting that steps might be taken to abate the nuisance caused by the state of Leicester-square.

Resolved—That the Vestry be informed that the Board have taken steps for the abatement of the nuisance referred to, and that instructions have been given for the Square to be inspected, from time to time, for that purpose.

80. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Price and Company, for the renewal of their licence for the storing of Rangoon Petroleum, on their premises at Millwall, recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that a form of licence to Messrs. Price and Co., be submitted for the approval of the Board.

81. Read a communication from Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, dated 11th November, 1865, notifying that some buildings at the premises of Messrs. Gilbert and Brenchley, in Wharf-road, City-road, were about to be rebuilt under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Long, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. Henry John Hammon, Surveyor of the District of St. Luke, Old-street, and the Liberty of Glasshouse-yard, did on the 11th day of November, 1865, give notice to this Board that he, the said Henry John Hammon, was engaged to act professionally in respect of the rebuilding of certain buildings at the premises of Messrs. Gilbert and Brenchley, in the Wharf-road, City-road, within the District aforesaid; and the said Henry John Hammon has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Robert Warton, Surveyor of the District of Shoreditch and the Liberty of Norton Folgate, be appointed by this Board, and the said Robert Warton is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

82. The Superintending Architect laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Parker, dated 16th November, 1865, requesting that the houses in Spring-gardens might be re-numbered.

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

83. The following Notice was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, viz.—

By Mr. Clark, (No. 259)—As to presenting Memorial from Inhabitants of Wellclose-square, relative to the neglected condition of the enclosed garden.

Adjourned until Friday, the 1st day of December next, at this Office, at 12 o'Clock, at noon.

No. 43.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **1st** day of **December,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

James Brooker, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
George Hudson, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Benjamin Evans, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
George Peckett, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
Robert Taylor, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
William Tite, Esq., M.P.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 24th November last were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. Mr. Hudson presented a letter which was read, as follows—

Office of the Woolwich Local Board of Health,
Town Hall, William-street, Woolwich, S.E.,
30th November, 1865.

Woolwich Local Board of Health.

Gentlemen,

I am directed by the Woolwich Local Board of Health to call your attention to the following Report of a Committee, especially appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the letter of Mr. J. Bruce, and the Report of Mr. Bazalgette, published in the Minutes of Proceedings of the Metropolitan Board of Works of 17th instant, viz.—

"*Report of Committee, 28th November,* 1865.

"Your Committee, appointed to inquire into the allegations contained in the letter of Mr. "Bruce, and the Report of Mr. Bazalgette, as to the state of the public health in Pellipar-road, "Lower Wood-street, Wood-street, and Maryon-road, and the alleged inefficiency of the Drainage "of the District, having made careful inquiry into the present sanitary state of the locality, and "having personally inspected the drains, beg to report—

"That the Returns of the Registrar of Births and Deaths for the Dockyard District show "that the state of the public health is eminently satisfactory—the improvement since the venti- "lation of the Main Drainage through the furnace chimney-shaft of the Dockyard was completed,

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"being very strongly marked. From the mortuary returns of the District it appears that, from "the 1st of August to the end of November, the number of deaths registered was, in 1864, 189, "and in the corresponding period of 1865, 120. If the present population of the Dockyard Dis- "trict (about 24,000) be considered in reference to its mortality for the present year, the death "rate will be found to be considerably below that of any of the Metropolitan Districts.

"Neither is it true that cholera, typhus, and the other diseases enumerated, 'are ever present "'in the District,' the fact being that there is now, and has been for some time, a remarkable "immunity from these diseases.

"Your Committee have caused the Main Drains traversing and draining this District to be "opened in four or five places. In every instance they have found them sound, in good working "order, and entirely free from any sedimentary deposit—as might have been anticipated, from "their very heavy gradients, and the great scour of the storm waters.

"It is intended to construct a sewer of much larger dimensions for the District, but this is "consequent, not upon any want of capacity, or defective condition of the present drains, but "simply to meet the increased requirements which the drainage of the Herbert Hospital, the "Military-Train Barracks, and soldiers' cottages (all of which are in the Parishes of Charlton "and Kidbrooke) will create. The commencement of this work has hitherto been delayed by the "indisposition of the War Department to contribute a fair proportion of the cost thereof.

"As regards the defective state of the Water-supply to many of the smaller class houses of "the District, your Committee beg to remark that the Board has already taken decisive action "in this matter; it now only remains to secure the adoption of such means for the stowage of the "water as shall prove satisfactory to the Kent Water Company, by whom the supply has been "temporarily stopped.

"Your Committee, in conclusion, recommend that a representation of these facts be made to "the Metropolitan Board of Works, in order that statements so incorrect, both in theory and in "fact, may be at once contradicted, and the same publicity be given to this statement as was "afforded to one so calculated to produce unnecessary alarm, and to injure the property of the "District."

I have the honor, &c.,

To the Metropolitan Board of Works, Spring Gardens, London

(Signed) ANDREW C. REED, Clerk.

The Engineer reported, verbally, that he had received a statement from the Officer by whom the information for the Report upon the state of the Woolwich sewers was supplied; and at a subsequent part of the day's proceedings, he, pursuant to instructions, laid before the Board a Report on the subject, which he had prepared, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
1st December, 1865.

WOOLWICH DRAINAGE—SEWER FROM THE ARTILLERY BARRACKS.

I have this morning received a statement from Mr. Houghton, who is a very careful Officer of this Board, to the effect that his report upon the unsatisfactory condition of the above sewer was founded upon an opening made at the end of John-street, where there was a considerable quantity of deposit, and he assumed that it was a fair specimen of the state of the sewer. He has, however, since examined several other openings which have been made along the line of this sewer, and found them to be in a better condition. If he had seen these places before making his report it would have been, to this extent, modified.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Hudson, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That a copy of the letter from the Woolwich Local Board of Health, and the substance of the Engineer's Report, be transmitted to the War Department.

3. Mr. Legg presented a Memorial from the Vestry of Bermondsey, under their Common Seal, praying the Board to direct one of the proposed large Fire Engine Stations of

the Metropolitan Fire Brigade to be provided near to, and North of, the Brighton and South Eastern Railway premises, in Willow-walk, Bermondsey.

The Memorial having been read,

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, in connection with the subject of the Metropolitan Fire Brigade.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
27th November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and have ascertained that the state of the Cash Account is as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 25th November, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 25th November, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	13,738 8 5	70,000 0 0	83,738 8 5		9,004 5 2	9,004 5 2
Covent Garden Approach	1,015 10 9	.....	1,015 10 9	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	70 1 8	22,000 0 0	22,070 1 8	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	75 19 6	.....	75 19 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	280 8 4	.....	280 8 4	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	2,235 16 4	10,000 0 0	12,235 16 4	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
£	17,416 5 0	102,000 0 0	119,416 5 0	5 0 0	9,009 5 2	9,014 5 2
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	6,133 18 6	.....	6,133 18 6	86 10 0	3,075 9 10	3,161 19 10
Thames Embankment (North)	90,583 16 2	.....	90,583 16 2	4,686 10 0	15,764 17 9	20,451 7 9
£	114,133 19 8	102,000 0 0	216,133 19 8	4,778 0 0	27,849 12 9	32,627 12 9

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of sums received, which they now beg to submit—

SUMS RECEIVED between 11th and 25th November, 1865—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
Rates—		
St. George, Hanover Square	33 0 0	
Costs of Lease—Tippets and Son	15 12 6	
Fees under Sale of Gas Acts	98 11 6	
		147 4 0
Covent Garden Approach.		
Rents Collected, per J. Gotto		301 13 10
Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
Rents Collected, per J. Gotto	14 2 6	
Costs of Lease, *re* Easton Amos and Sons	14 2 6	
		28 5 0
Carried forward		£477 2 10

Brought forward	£477 2 10
Finsbury Park.	
Rents Collected, per J. Gotto	118 17 0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.	
Rates—	
St. George, Hanover Square	2,228 0 0
Thames Embankment (North).	
Rents Collected, per J. Gotto	685 8 6
	£3,509 8 4

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the various Officers for the payments specified in the annexed Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the Sums therein specified, amounting to £22,793 9s. 2d., be paid.

Your Committee have also taken into consideration the amounts standing to the credit of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £15,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

That the sum of £2,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Your Committee have further to report that they have had under consideration the applications of the Boards of Guardians of the several Parishes and Unions of the Metropolis, for the repayment of the sums expended by them in the relief of the Houseless Poor up to Lady-day, 1865. This being the first year of the Act coming into operation, and consequently the first occasion on which the duty of making these payments has devolved upon the Board, your Committee have felt it right to exercise great care in ascertaining that the provisions of the Act were strictly complied with. Questions of various kinds have arisen, on which it has been necessary to correspond with the Poor Law Board, and which have prevented your Committee reporting upon the reference. The questions that arose on the general principle are now settled, and the amounts in several cases are duly certified and in order for payment; in others there are still questions under consideration. Your Committee see no reason why the payment of the amounts, in those cases which are now in order, should be delayed until the whole of them are ready, and they accordingly submit the following list of cases for payment—

	FITTING-UP.	RELIEF.	TOTAL.
St. Marylebone	£209 0 0	£32 3 9	£241 3 9
St. Pancras	18 0 0	9 2 8	27 2 8
St. Matthew, Bethnal Green	345 0 0	{Cheques already drawn.}	345 0 0
St. Luke, Middlesex	254 0 0	{Cheques already drawn.}	254 0 0
St. Martin-in-the-Fields	64 4 0	107 15 0	171 19 0
Mile End Old Town	57 0 0	{Cheque already drawn.}	57 0 0
Wandsworth and Clapham Union	124 0 0	67 17 8	191 17 8
Hackney Union	47 0 0	4 19 4	51 19 4
Fulham ditto	44 0 0	20 18 2	64 18 2
Poplar ditto	195 0 0	{Cheque already drawn.}	195 0 0
	£1,357 4 0	£242 16 7	£1,600 0 7

They now beg to recommend that Cheques be drawn for the sums above specified, amounting to £1,600 0s. 7d., and be paid over to the parties authorized to receive the same.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 35), they have considered the application of the Vestry of Camberwell, for the sanction of the Board to their borrowing the sum of £26,000, for the construction of sewerage works in the Parish, the principal to be repaid by thirty annual instalments, with interest thereon at £5 per cent. The Plans for these works were duly approved by the Board on the 21st July last, (No. 14); they comprise about eight miles of sewers, varying in size from 4′ 6″ × 3′ 0″, brick, to a 12-inch pipe, and the Engineer has reported to your Committee that the estimate of the cost is fair and reasonable. They have had before them a statement shewing the financial condition of the Parish, which, in their opinion, is such as to justify the proposed loan, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest uot to exceed £5 per cent. per annum.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 32), considered the subject of the amount due from the Parish of Chiswick, in respect of the apportionment of the Mortgage Debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers. Your Honorable Board, on the 28th July last, ordered the then existing rate to be quashed, and new Precepts to be issued to the Parish, returnable on the 31st December next. The old rate being now quashed, it is advisable that the new Precept be at once issued. It will be necessary to extend the period for the payment of the Precept beyond the time specified in the above-mentioned Order of the Board. Your Committee now beg to submit the Precept, and recommend that the Seal of the Board be affixed thereto.

The attention of your Committee has been directed to the fact, that, by the resignation of Mr. Shepherd, the number of Members authorized to sign Cheques on the Main Drainage and Thames Embankment Accounts, at the Bank of England, has been reduced. It therefore becomes necessary, in order to supply the vacancy in the number, that another Member should be appointed in his place, and your Committee recommend—

That Mr. Legg be authorized to sign Cheques on the above-mentioned Accounts, respectively.

Your Committee have further to report that, in compliance with the Resolution of the Board of the 7th April last, (No. 9), they have caused a Report to be prepared of the proceedings of the Board during the last year, in conformity with the requirements of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and they now beg to submit the same for approval, and recommend—

That copies thereof, together with the Account in Abstract and Summary Statement for the preceding year, relating to the Board, be sent to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, to the General Board of Health, to the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor of the City of London, and to each of the Vestries and District Boards within the Metropolis, conformably to the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act, and that a Copy be also sent to each Member of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT—

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.		
WAINWRIGHT, T., Contractor—		
(1-6584) Further on account of Contract Works, White Post Lane Sewer, (No. 40)	300 0 0	
HILL AND KEDDELL, Contractors—		
(1-6585) Further on account of Contract Works, Woolwich Sewers, (No. 42)	2,200 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(1-6586) First Instalment for Contract Works, Earl, Battle Bridge, &c., Sewers, (No. 43)	900 0 0	
THAMES CONSERVANCY—		
(1-6587) One Year's Rent of Jetties at St. George's Wharf and Crossness, due Michaelmas, 1865	18 2 0	
HER MAJESTY'S RECEIVER GENERAL—		
(1-6588) Half Year's Rent for site of Office, Spring Gardens, (less tax) due 10th October, 1865	245 16 8	
EMERY, W., Collector—		
(1-6589) Poor, General, and Sewer's Rates for Office, Spring Gardens—Half Year to Lady-day, 1866	116 13 4	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(1-6890) Week ending 15th November, 1865 £142 8 10		
,, 22nd ,, 138 0 1		
	280 8 11	
BANK OF ENGLAND—		
(1-6891) Half Year's Interest on Balance of Loan of £400,000, (less tax), due 1st December, 1865	7,377 0 5	
PICKERSGILL, R. AND H.—		
(1-6892) Bill for Solder for Gas Meter Testing House, Westminster, October, 1865	3 3 0	
OAKLEY, H., Collector—		
(1-6893) Main Drainage, Sewer, and General Rates for Gas Meter Testing House, Spitalfields, made 1st November, 1865	4 3 4	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(1-6894) Further on account of Contract Works, City Road, &c., (No. 37)	2,000 0 0	
COWAN, D.—		
(1-6895) Bill for Gas Fittings, &c., at Meter Testing House, Spitalfields, January to April, 1865 £14 6 9		
5 8 9		
	19 15 6	
		13,465 3 2
Metropolis Main Drainage.		
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(8-1925) Further on account of Contract Works, Greenwich and Deptford Sewers (No. 22)	575 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(8-1926) Week ending 15th November, 1865 £79 10 4		
,, 22nd ,, 77 14 1		
	157 4 5	
		732 4 5
Thames Embankment (North).		
FURNESS, G., Contractor—		
(9-764) Further on account of Contract, (No. 1), including Plant and Materials	8,292 0 0	
Carried forward	£8,292 0 0	14,197 7 7

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward -	8,292 0 0	14,197 7 7
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(9-765)	Week ending 15th November, 1865 £88 19 6		
	,, 22nd ,, 41 1 0		
	80 0 6		
	Thames Embankment, South—		
	Week ending 15th November, 1865, 6 6 0		
	,, 22nd ,, 4 4 0		
	10 10 0		
		90 10 6	
HUGHES, E., Accountant—			
(9-766)	Special Jury expenses paid by him—		
	Re Henderson - - - £32 0 2		
	,, Luer - - - 33 19 1		
		65 19 3	
TAHOURDIN, C. AND H.—			
(9-767)	Solicitors' Charges, *re* Henderson - - -	3 3 0	
HENDERSON, THOMAS AND JOHN—			
(9-768)	Interest on Purchase Money (less tax) - -	55 6 4	
HUGHES, E., Accountant—			
(9-769)	Special Jury Expenses paid by him—		
	(New Street to Mansion House)		
	Re Burton - - - £17 11 4		
	,, Edwards - - - 33 9 6		
		51 0 10	
SECONDARY'S CHARGES for Special Juries—			
(9-770)	(New Street to Mansion House)		
	Re Burton - - - £12 4 4		
	,, Edwards - - - 15 7 4		
		27 11 8	
KING, THOMAS—			
(9-771)	Professional Charges *re* Burton (New Street to Mansion House) - - - - -	5 5 0	
CHILDS, D. T., Surveyor—			
(9-772)	Professional Charges, *re* Burton (New Street to Mansion House) - - - - -	5 5 0	
			8,596 1 7
	TOTAL - - -		£ 22,793 9 2

(*Certified*) (*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*)

W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
CYRUS LEGG.
W. CLARK.
ROBERT TAYLOR.
E. COLLINSON.
F. HEALEY.
WM. NEWTON.
C. MILLS ROCHE.
J. S. PHILLIPS.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £22,793 9s. 2d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sum of £15,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That the sum of £2,000 be transferred from the Current to the Deposit Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the payment to the undermentioned Boards of Guardians of expenses incurred under the Houseless Poor Act, 1864, to Lady-day, 1865, be approved, and that Cheques, as follows, be drawn, viz.—

	Fitting-up.	Relief.	Total.
St. Marylebone - - -	£209 0 0	£32 3 9	£241 3 9
St. Pancras - - - -	18 0 0	9 2 8	27 2 8
St. Matthew, Bethnal Green -	345 0 0	..	345 0 0
St. Luke, Middlesex - -	254 0 0	..	254 0 0
St. Martin-in-the-Fields -	64 4 0	107 15 0	171 19 0
Mile End Old Town - -	57 0 0	..	57 0 0
Wandsworth and Clapham Union - - - -	124 0 0	67 17 8	191 17 8
Hackney Union - - -	47 0 0	4 19 4	51 19 4
Fulham do. - - -	44 0 0	20 18 2	64 18 2
Poplar do. - - -	195 0 0	..	195 0 0
	£1,357 4 0	242 16 7	1,600 0 7

And Cheques were drawn on the General Current Account of the Board accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the application of the Vestry of Camberwell, for permission to borrow the sum of £26,000, for the purpose of constructing sewerage works in the Parish, be granted, the principal to be repaid by equal annual instalments within a period of thirty years, and the rate of interest not to exceed £5 per cent. per annum.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the consideration of so much of the Report as relates to the amount due from the Parish of Chiswick, in respect of the apportionment of the Mortgage Debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, be adjourned until Friday next, and that a Special Meeting of the Board be summoned for that purpose.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That Mr. Legg be authorized to sign Cheques on the Main Drainage and Thames Embankment Accounts, respectively, in the place of Mr. Shepherd, resigned.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Annual Report, now submitted, be approved; that copies thereof, together with the Account in Abstract and Summary Statement, for the preceding year, relating to the Board, be sent to Her Majesty's Principal Secretary of State for the Home Department, to the Commissioners of Her Majesty's Works and Public Buildings, to the General Board of Health, to the Right Honorable the Lord Mayor of the City of London, and to each of the Vestries and District Boards within the Metropolis, conformably to the 200th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Act; and that a copy be also sent to each Member of the Board.

5. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
21st November, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 3rd instant (No. 22), they have considered the letter from Messrs. Bircham and Co., on behalf of the East London Water Works Company, suggesting that two small portions of the land near to the Subway over the Company's Main at Old Ford, formerly the property of the Company, and which it had been arranged should be conveyed to the Board, should remain the property of the Company, to enable them to obtain access to their pipes. Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer as to the propriety of complying with this suggestion, and he is of opinion that it would be better that the whole of the land should be conveyed to your Honorable Board, and that you should grant to the Company an easement over the portions of land referred to, in order to give them free access to their pipes. Your Committee concur in this opinion, and think that a nominal rent should be received from the Company, in respect of the easement to be so granted, and they beg to recommend that that course be taken.

Your Committee have also to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 27th ultimo, (No. 6), they have considered the letter from Mr. Wright, complaining of the water-supply to a field, belonging to himself and Mr. Polard, at East Greenwich, which had been cut off by the Main Drainage Works, but subsequently restored, being again suspended. Mr. Wright states that several houses on Maize-hill drain into the ditch which passes through the field in question, and when the ditch is flushed, from time to time, by the river, it is quite inoffensive, but that now the water is removed, the drainage will be liable to cause a nuisance. Your Committee have caused inquiry to be made into the matter, and have ascertained that the Greenwich District Board have ample means for draining the houses, to which Mr. Wright refers, into the covered sewer on Maize-hill, and that there is, therefore, no occasion for the drainage to pass into the ditch, and further, that if the river-water were allowed to come in, it would flood the Southern Outfall Sewer. Your Committee recommend that a communication to the above effect be addressed to the Greenwich District Board of Works.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That an easement over a portion of the land near to the Subway, over the Main of the East London Water Works Company, at Old Ford, be granted at a nominal rent to that Company, in order to give them access to their pipes, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary agreement.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the circumstances in connection with the cutting off of the water-supply from a field belonging to Mr. Wright and Mr. Polard, at East Greenwich, be approved; and that the matter be referred to the Greenwich District Board of Works, for attention.

6. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
28th November, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the Memorial from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, praying the Board, to declare under the provisions of the 137th Section of the Metropolitan Local Management Act, 1855, the sewer or stream, called the Quaggy, to be a Main Sewer, and to take the same under their management, referred by the Board on the 13th ultimo, (No. 14). Several Members of your Committee have inspected the stream in question, which they find to be an open ditch of considerable extent, and one that, in dry weather, becomes very offensive from the drainage of houses along its banks flowing into it; they have also ascertained that, in wet weather, the quantity of water which passes down the stream is so large as to cause it, at certain places, to overflow its banks, and that it would be necessary to construct a sewer of very large dimensions, and at a considerable cost, to carry away this flow. It appears, moreover, that there are, in the locality, sewers of sufficient capacity for taking the drainage which now passes into the Quaggy. Your Committee have carefully considered this question, and, having regard to all the circumstances, are of opinion that it is not expedient to comply with the prayer of the Memorial. Your Committee feel, however, that some measures should be adopted by the Local Authorities for the purpose of abating the nuisance which is occasioned by the condition of the Quaggy, as it at present exists; and with this view they recommend that the attention of the Plumstead District Board be called to the fact, that certain houses in their District on the banks of the stream, drain into the same, instead of into covered sewers.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. H. Morgan, Secretary to the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, requesting that the Company's tenancy of the piece of land, near the Outfall at Barking, might commence in January next instead of at Michaelmas last, and that, in consideration of the present rough state of the ground, a lower rent per acre might be taken, referred to your Committee on the 10th instant, (No. 43). Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer on this subject, and have ascertained from him that, in consequence of the wet and bad state of the ground, it has been impossible for the Contractor wholly to remove his plant from it, and the Company are thereby prevented from commencing the operations necessary for the carrying out of their experiments. Under these circumstances, your Committee are of opinion that the rent to be paid by them should not commence till the 1st January, 1866; they see no reason, however, for any reduction in the rent fixed by your Honourable Board on the 13th October last (No. 2), namely, £4 per acre. They accordingly recommend—

That the tenancy of the piece of land in question do commence in January next, instead of at Michaelmas last, but that no alteration be made in the rent to be paid for the same.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the letter from Messrs. Wilson, Bristows, and Carpmael, together with the Report by Drs. W. A. Miller and W. Odling, accompanying the same, referred by the Board on the 17th instant, (No. 29). It appears from the Report in question that, on the 27th October last, Dr. Miller met Dr. Letheby, by appointment, at the Bakery of the Aërated Bread Company in

Blackman-street, and inspected the Blackman-street Sewer. The conclusions at which Dr. Miller has arrived, and which are fully concurred in by Dr. Odling, are as follows, viz.—That if the materials were run off from the generator too early, that is, before the chemical action of the acid upon the chalk has completely come to an end, or if from carelessness any acid should have been employed in excess, there might be a disengagement of carbonic acid gas, and, perhaps, even of sulphuretted hydrogen, in the latter case, in the sewer, sufficient at the moment to occasion danger to men who might at that time enter the sewer. Without being prepared to say that either of these circumstances really occurred on the day when the accident to the men employed in the sewer happened, they recommend that, in future, strict orders be given to all the Master Bakers, at every Station of the Company's works, to the following effect—

1. As soon as the disengagement of gas from the generator, after the addition of the last portions of acid, has practically come to and end, to add water and continue the agitation; then to open the charge-hole at the top, and to allow the contents to remain in the open generator, with constant agitation, for 12 hours; at the end of 12 hours after the last portions of acid have been added, and not before, the contents may be allowed to run away.

2. That a sample be drawn from each charge as it is being run off, and be preserved for examination.

This, they state, should not redden litmus, and should effervesce slightly on adding strong acid.

They also state that the proportions of acid and chalk at present employed appear to be well calculated to ensure safety, and that if the foregoing precautions are strictly followed, they consider that no danger to the men in the sewer can arise from the discharge into the exhausted materials from the generator.

Your Committee have also considered the letter of Dr. Letheby, referred to them by your Honorable Board at the same time. Dr. Letheby states that he has received a copy of the Report of Dr. Miller and Dr. Odling, and expresses his opinion thereon, as follows—

1st. That he has no doubt whatever, the recent accident to the sewer workmen, from foul air in the Blackman-street Sewer, was occasioned by the gas evolved from the spent lime discharged into the sewer from the bakery of the Aërated Bread Company, and,

2ndly. That, as regards the recommendations set forth in the Report of Drs. Miller and Odling, to guard against the recurrence of a similar disaster, he believes the precaution of using an excess of whiting, and of agitating the diluted mixture in the open air for 12 hours before it is discharged into the sewer, would meet the difficulty, in so far as it relates to the actual evolution of gas at the time of the discharge, but that it would not meet the danger which must arise if the spent lime is brought into contact with waste acid refuse flowing into the sewer from any neighbouring factory; for if such were to occur, and as he was informed, was very likely to occur, the chalk used in excess would be immediately attacked by the acid, and would thus evolve sufficient carbonic acid to render the atmosphere of the sewer extremely dangerous. That the very precaution, therefore, taken by the Aërated Bread Company, to guard against danger from their operations, would be a fruitful source of the like danger from the operations of others.

Your Committee find that acid refuse is, from time to time, discharged from a factory into the sewer in Suffolk-street, which falls into the Blackman-street Sewer at a short distance from the drain from the bakery.

Your Committee have received from your Engineer a Report in which he states that, after reading the Report of Dr. Letheby, he thinks there is no other course left to the Board than to cut off all connection between the premises of the Bread Company and the sewer, unless the Company can adopt and carry out some other remedy, which would be, in the opinion of Dr. Letheby, a safe one.

Your Committee fully concur in the opinion expressed by your Engineer, and they recommend—

That the Solicitor be instructed to address a communication to the Bread Company, to the effect above stated.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
WM. NEWTON.

The Report having been read, and received,

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the Memorial from the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, praying this Board, under the provisions of the 137th Section of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, to declare the Quaggy to be a Main Sewer, be approved; and that the attention of the Plumstead District Board of Works be called to the nuisance which arises from certain houses on the banks of the stream, draining into the same, instead of into covered sewers.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Dalton, and

Resolved—That the tenancy of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company of the piece of land, near the Outfall at Barking, do commence in January next, instead of at Michaelmas last, but that no alteration be made in the rent to be paid for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the Solicitor be instructed to address a communication to the Aërated Bread Company, to the effect that unless they can adopt some safe mode of discharging the refuse of their manufacture into the Blackman-street Sewer, the Board will have to cut off the communication between their bakery and the sewer.

After discussion, the motion was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn; and it was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Evans, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 1st December, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
KENSINGTON.				
Colville Estate—Roads forming on the East and West sides of Powis-square, Notting-hill	600	3′0″×2′0″	½ brick	Recommended to the outlets given.
Golden Cross-mews, on the East side of Portobello-road, Notting-hill . . .	220	12-inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
ROTHERHITHE.				
Church-street, up to corner of Elephant-lane . . .	270	3′0″×2′0″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
HAMPSTEAD.				
Primrose-hill-road, Belsize-park-road, England's-lane, Stanley-road, and Haverstock-road, Haverstock-hill .	about 3,790 560	3′9″×2′6″ 3′3″×2′3″	1 brick 1 ,,	On section from F to H, inclination to be 1 in 29.45; from B to G, 1 in 105.78; from D to K, 1 in 40.61; from A to B, and D and E, 1 in 69.67, 1 in 32.96, and 1 in 103.
ISLINGTON.				
Hornsey-road, near Hornsey-lane	550 750	3′9″×2′6″ 3′4″×2′4″	1 brick ½ ,,	The same as applied for.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 30th November, 1865, on applications from the following Vestries, for permission to stop up certain thoroughfares, for the periods and purposes therein mentioned, viz.—

Dates of applications.	Names of Streets to be stopped up.	Object.	Time applied for.	Time recommended.	Streets through which traffic will be diverted.
NEWINGTON.					
1865. Nov. 24.	Park-place.	Cleansing sewer.	3 weeks.	3 weeks.	John-street.
ISLINGTON.					
,, 28.	Hornsey-road, from Shaftesbury-villas, to Hornsey-lane.	Sewerage works.	8 weeks.	8 weeks.	Crouch-hill, and Hanley-road.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfares in question, by the said

Vestries, for the purpose of executing works therein, for the periods recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works, respectively.

9. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
1st December, 1865.

MONTHLY REPORT ON THE PROGRESS OF THE WORKS OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT; LOW LEVEL SEWER, NORTH, &c,

NORTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 1), *between Westminster and Waterloo Bridges.*—The works which have been carried out in connection with this Contract, comprise about 1,670 feet in length of timber coffer-dams and of iron caisson-dams completed, and about 1,568 feet of timber and caisson-dams are in course of construction in various stages of progress. Structural works of concreting, brickwork, granite, and other masonry, and works of excavation have been, and are now, proceeding within the various completed timber and iron coffer-dams and caissons, for a length, in the aggregate, of 1,568 feet. The completed works comprise 975 feet in length of the Main Low Level Sewer, 284 feet of the flushing sewer, 1,604 feet of egg-shaped sewer, 4′ 0″ × 2′ 8″, for the interception of house and other small drains, which formerly discharged on the fore-shore, and 701 feet of the Subway. The works of the Westminster Pier, and of those contiguous thereto, have been brought up to the level of the Subway. The Embankment-wall and works have been backed up, and the fore-shore, to a considerable extent, filled in with material brought to the spot by carts from the land, or by barges from the Conservators' dredgers. The quantity so filled in is approximately estimated at 408,627 cubic yards. The approximate value of the works done, materials on the ground, and plant, is £244,529; of which the sum of £8,279 represents the work done by Mr. Furness in the past month. Of the total amount, the sum of £133,144 is for works, £56,441 for materials, and £54,944 for plant.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 2), *between Waterloo-bridge and Temple-gardens.*—The dam at the Eastern end of this Contract is fast approaching completion, and the works within the Somerset House dam are actively progressing, as are also those in the special length for the Temple Pier. During the month, 1,534 cubic yards of excavation have been got out, 1,929 yards of Portland cement concrete filled in, 106 rods of brickwork constructed, 7,000 cubic feet of granite bedded for the river-wall, and 1,990 feet super of 6-in. York landings laid. The total completed length of the Low Lever Sewer is 1,200 feet, and of the Subway nearly 900 feet. The approximate value of the whole of the works completed, and of the materials and plant upon the ground, is £157,543; of which £4,543 represent the work done in the past month by Mr. Ritson. Of the total amount, the proportionate sum of £106,861 is for works, £20,665 for materials, and £30,017 for plant.

Low Level Sewer.—The works contained in this Contract are fairly progressing; 1,080 feet of the tunnelled portion of the Main line, and 655 feet of the Old Ford Branch having been constructed in the past month, and, including the portion of sewer constructed in open cutting from the river Lee to the Abbey Mills Station, a total length of nearly 3¾ miles of sewer is complete. The value of the whole of the work executed is about £173,100; of which the sum of £13,500 is due to the progress made by Mr. Webster in the past month.

Abbey Mills Pumping Station.—The whole of the excavation for the foundations of this building have been got out, and the lower portion covered with a bed of concrete 3 feet 6 inches thick, on which the brick footings of the outer walls of the building have been laid, and 10 rods of brickwork in connection therewith, completed. The depth of the excavation from the surface of the ground is 31 feet 6 inches; this great depth being requisite, on account of the soft nature of the soil. The value of these works is, approximately, £12,000; being £3,000 for the work executed by Mr. Webster in the past month. Some boilers, and several large castings for the pump-wells, have also arrived upon the ground from Messrs. Rothwell's foundry.

SOUTH SIDE OF THE THAMES.

Thames Embankment (*Contract No.* 1).—Mr. Webster has completed 500 feet run of piling for the dam, and 500 feet in staging have been driven to an average depth of 16 feet; about 50,000 cubic feet of timber have been used in these works, and about 100,000 feet are delivered ready for use.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Legg—That the Report be received, and that it be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 30th November, 1865, prepared in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 17th inst., (No. 26), stating that the claim of the Right Rev. Dr. Grant, and others, in respect of the use and occupation by the Board of land and premises situate at the Oval, Kennington, and for alleged damage to a mansion &c., adjacent thereto, by the execution of the works of the Southern Low Level Sewer, had been referred to the Contractor, and that he had communicated with the Solicitor on the subject.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Evans, and,

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive.

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th November, 1865, prepared pursuant to the instructions of the Board of the 27th October last, (No. 4), stating that Mr. Carter had now complied with their requirements, in respect of covering-over the open portion of the Counter's Creek sewer, at Kensal Green, and had satisfactorily amended that part of the work which he had improperly executed.

Resolved—That the Report be approved.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. W. H. Snelling, suggesting that chains should be hung upon the more exposed parts of the Thames Embankment wall, for the purpose of aid in cases of accident, stating that the hanging of chains in festoons, as suggested by Mr. Snelling, was open to the objection that they would be, to a certain extent, unsightly, and would, moreover, be liable to collect and detain floating matter, thus adding to the unsightliness; and recommending that Mr. Snelling be informed that the subject of making provision upon the Thames Embankment, for the safety of life, had already occupied the attention of this Board, and that similar suggestions to his had been made, but that the Board could not determine whether, or in what manner, the desired precautions could be effected, until the Embankment works were completed.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that a communication founded thereon be addressed to Mr. Snelling.

13. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
1st December, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Galbraith, dated 21st ultimo, in reference to the requirement made by the Board on the 3rd ultimo, (No. 14), requiring Mr. Galbraith to set back the Western Abutment of the Bridge to be built to carry the Kensington and Richmond Railway over New-road, Hammersmith;

Also, submitting elevation and Plan of the Bridge proposed to carry the same Railway over the Grove and Dartmouth roads, Hammersmith, (27th and 28 Vict., cap. 166).

In reply to an application from Mr. Galbraith, dated 24th September, submitting, for approval, Plans of several proposed Bridges for carrying the above Railway over streets and roads in the neighbourhood of Hammersmith, the Board required that the Western abutment of the intended bridge over the New-road should be set back to the line of fence.

Mr. Galbraith now states, upon the authority of Messrs. Clutton, that a portion of the ground on the road-side of the fence, shown on Plan to project 7 feet 6 inches in front thereof, is waste land, belonging to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, and I, therefore, recommend that the Board vary their previous Order, so far as to permit Mr. Galbraith to erect his bridge of a span of 60 feet, as shown on Plan accompanying his letter of the 21st ultimo.

In reference to the bridge over the Grove and Dartmouth Roads, as being bridges, the span of which exceeded 45 feet, Mr. Galbraith was required, by the above Order of the Board, to fill the angle, formed between the abutment or intermediate supports and the girder, with cast-iron bracket or spandrel piece.

The design, now submitted for approval by Mr. Galbraith, does not comply with the Order of the Board, and I recommend that he be required to amend his design, so as to be in accordance therewith.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the Report be approved; that the Order of the Board of the 3rd ultimo, (No. 14), be varied, so far as to admit of the Bridge over the New-road, Hammersmith, being erected with a span of sixty-feet, and that Mr. Galbraith be required to amend the design for the bridges proposed to be carried over the Dartmouth and Grove-roads, so as to comply with the requirements of the above-mentioned Order.

14. Read the following Reports by the Engineer and Solicitor, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 24th ultimo (No. 4)—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
29th November, 1865.

SOUTHWARK-STREET.

With reference to the statement made at the Meeting of this Board on Friday last, that certain Companies, in laying their pipes in Southwark-street, had interfered with the brickwork of some of the side-entrances to the Subway, I beg to report that I have caused an inquiry to be made into this matter, with the following result—

Messrs. Aird, the Contractors, have laid three iron pipes in a trench, 8 feet wide, the nearer edge of it being about 3 feet from the curb. Two of these pipes, namely, a 7-inch main, and a 4-inch service, have been laid about a foot apart, from High-street to a point West of the Southwark-bridge-road; these are for the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company. From Southwark-square, Westwards, a 12-inch gas main is laid for the Phœnix Gas Company.

The two water pipes are the deepest, and in crossing three side-entrances the arches have been cut through. The arch of the first, nearest High-street, has been very indifferently made good, but the pipes do not show on the under side of the arch. In crossing the arch of the second, the brick-work has been entirely cut through, and one pipe protrudes from one to two inches from the under side. In the third, the same thing occurs, namely, one pipe shows on the under side, and the brick-work has been very clumsily repaired. The water pipes have been kept deeper than the gas main in order to keep the water cool, and the latter, though the largest pipe, does not protrude under the arches of the side-entrances.

I understand that three pipes are to be laid on the North side of the street, so that fully one-third of the carriage-way will thus have been disturbed, and the concrete arched foundations broken through, thereby ruining the paving, which will not now last a fourth of the time it would, if it had not been disturbed.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Re SOUTHWARK-STREET.

It appears to us that the Board should instruct their Solicitor to acquaint the Companies with the Report of Mr. Bazalgette just read, by sending each of them a copy. We think too that notice should be given to them that the Board protest against any interference with the Subways, and call upon the Companies effectually to repair the mischief they have done, or to make compensation.

If the Companies refuse to comply, then the cost of the injury should be ascertained, and the amount could probably be recovered in an action by the Board against the Companies, if the amount shall be deemed worth proceeding for. This seems to be the only remedy which the Board has. It is assumed that the Board has a property in the subway and its materials, and the wrong done must be one of compensation in damages. We can discover no case for penalities, or other remedy, as regards the Board at present, but we think the Board should send a copy of the accompanying Report to the District Board of Southwark. The Metropolis Local Management Act of 1855 contains many sections giving the Vestries and District Boards powers of keeping the Gas and Water Companies within proper bounds. Sections 98, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, and 25 and 26 Vic., cap. 102, Sec. 82. (Signed) W. W. SMITH.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Carpmael, and

Resolved—That the Reports be received; that a copy of the Engineer's Report be sent to the Southwark and Vauxhall Water Company, and to the St. Saviour's District Board of Works, and that the matter be referred to the Streets Committee, with authority to take such steps as they may be advised for protecting the interests of the Board.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 29th November, 1865, on a letter from Mr. J. F. Gordon, "Crown and Sceptre" tavern, Greenwich, claiming compensation for alleged damage to his premises and loss of trade, by the execution of sewerage works, stating that the claim, so far as it related to the alleged damage, had been referred to the Contractor, and that, with regard to the alleged loss from obstruction of the roadway, every facility had been afforded for access to the claimant's house, during the execution of the works, and recommending the Board to decline to admit their liability to the claim.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the applicant be informed to the effect thereof.

16. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 30th November, 1865, submitting a letter from the City of London Gas Company, in answer to a communication from him, informing them of the Resolution of the Board of the 20th October last, (No. 1), instructing him to prepare the Plans and Specification for the Thames Embankment, North, (Contract No. 3), in accordance with the Plans sanctioned by Parliament, together with his reply thereto.

Resolved—That the said letters be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and they are entered accordingly—

City of London Gas Light and Coke Company,
Dorset-street, Salisbury-square, E.C.,
London, 22nd November, 1865.

Sir,

THAMES EMBANKMENT AND METROPOLITAN DISTRICT RAILWAY.

I am desired by the Directors of this Company to remind you that they have been expecting to receive from you a further communication upon the above subject, and also, the Plans and sections of any intended works, which may affect their premises.

My Directors, also, desire me to observe, that they are kept in a state of painful suspense by the delays of your Board, and they cannot but feel that their endeavours to reconcile the conflicting interests of the public and their shareholders should be supported to the fullest possible extent, by those who have to carry out the provisions of the Embankment Act.

In my former letter I referred to some of the reported proceedings of your Board, which had led my Directors to conclude that any practicable scheme for carrying out the provisions of the two Acts would virtually annihilate the undertaking of the Company, and my Directors have since had under their serious consideration all the circumstances connected with the site of their works, and also various suggestions for overcoming any difficulties in the way of a satisfactory arrangement. The initiative in that respect not having been taken by your Board, my Directors are unable to determine whether certain rumours, which have reached them, are groundless, or based on a foundation of truth. They are, however, desirous of avoiding the possibility of any future misunderstanding, and, with that view, I am desired distinctly to inform you that any, and every proposal or suggestion which may emanate from your Board, in a tangible shape, will receive their immediate attention, and that they do not desire to obstruct the progress of the Thames Embankment, or any other works which your Board are empowered to execute. The interests of their shareholders must, of course, be protected, but if anything can be done to meet the views of your Board, without sacrificing such interests, my Directors will be happy to afford every assistance in their power.

Requesting the favour of an early reply,

I remain, &c.,

J. W. Bazalgette, Esq., C.E., (Signed) R. J. MILLAR,
Spring Gardens, S.W. Secretary.

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Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
24th November, 1865.

THAMES EMBANKMENT, NORTH, AND CITY GAS WORKS.

Sir,

I was not aware that the Directors of the City Gas Works were expecting any further communication from me. In my letter to you, of the 23rd ultimo, I informed you that I had then just received instructions from this Board to prepare the Contract Drawings for the Thames Embankment and Roadway, from the east end of the Temple to Blackfriars-bridge, in conformity with the terms of the Thames Embankment Act, and, as I stated in that letter, it was with a view to consulting the convenience of the City of London Gas Company, that I had requested to be placed in communication with their Engineer, during the preparation of those Plans. The Gas Company having declined that proposal, I have no option but to proceed with the preparation of the Contract Drawings, unaided by any suggestions by the Gas Company's Engineer on their behalf. Those drawings will not be completed for three or four months, and though, when completed, I shall be happy to show them to your Company, it would at that time, certainly, be very inconvenient, and cause much delay, to have to alter the works.

The question of the formation of the Metropolitan Railway in front of the Gas Works is, to a considerable extent, distinct from the works of this Board, and the Railway Company have been requested to confer with you with a view, if possible, to come to terms with your Company, before they apply to this Board for its sanction to their works.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

R. J. Millar, Esq.,
Secretary,
City of London Gas Company.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 30th November, 1865, submitting a letter from the Engineer of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, enclosing a tracing of the line of their proposed culvert at the junction with the Barking reservoir, and requesting permission for the Company's Contractor to enter on the land of the Board, between the Reservoir and the Creek, in order to deposit materials for commencing the works; and also submitting a letter from the Secretary of the Company, asking permis-

sion to carry the waste water from their land by the main outfall, in an open drain through the Board's land, for delivery into the creek.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, and that they be authorized to intimate to the Company the terms upon which the Board will accede to their application.

18. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 30th November, 1865, submitting the duplicate Plan of the altered line of the Thames Embankment (South), received from the Board of Trade, with their formal consent endorsed thereon.

19. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 1st December, 1865, stating that the Parliamentary Deposits for the coming Session were unusually heavy; that Plans of sixty-three Railway and other schemes, affecting the Metropolis, had been deposited with the Board, in compliance with the requirements of the Standing Orders, most of which were for projects of an extensive character, and required much careful investigation, and recommending the Board to sanction his making the usual arrangements for his Assistants to work during extra hours, to enable him to collect the materials for the preparation of his Report upon the said Plans.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and adopted.

20. The Solicitor reported that the Engineer had called his attention to the fact that a road, called Bradmore-lane, at Hammersmith, over which the Board, on the 3rd ultimo, (No. 14), required a railway bridge to be of 40 feet span, was being made of the width of 32 feet, which, if adopted, would cause a difficulty in keeping the Railway Company to the 40 feet bridge; that he had accordingly conferred with the Superintending Architect on the matter, who had inspected the locality, and stated that the road in question was not yet formed, but that the bridge, when constructed, would have to be 40 feet wide.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, with authority to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive.

21. The Solicitor reported that Mr. Webster had applied to him for a copy of his Contract for the execution of the Northern Low Level Sewer, and that, as it was required at once, for the purpose of defending an action, he had supplied the copy, and he now requested the sanction of the Board to the course he had taken.

Resolved—That the course taken by the Solicitor be approved.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Memorial for Registration of the Conveyance, dated 21st October, 1863, from the Governors of Christ's Hospital to the Board, of land at Old Ford.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Memorial; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

23. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary to draw a Cheque for £5 5s., in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 2nd June last, (No. 45), authorizing him to subscribe that sum to the Council of Law Reporting, for the new scheme of Reports established by them.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That a Cheque be drawn in favor of Mr. J. T. Hopwood, for £5 5s.; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Current Account of the Board, accordingly.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. William Webster, dated 27th November, 1865, requesting that his Solicitors, Messrs. Lindo and Sons, might be

allowed to defend the Action, and conduct the Jury Inquisition and proceedings brought by Mr. Balls, for compensation for alleged damage to his premises, Brunton-cottage, Commercial-road, by the execution of the Northern Low Level Sewer works.

Resolved—That the request of Mr. Webster be acceded to.

25. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. William Webster, dated 23rd November, 1865, stating that he had received copies of the notices, served upon the Board by Messrs. Balls, Kakell, Taylor, and Goff, respectively, of their intention to commence actions against the Board, in respect of alleged damage done to their premises, and that he had referred the same to his Solicitors, for attention.

Resolved—That the Contractor be authorized to defend the actions by his own Solicitors.

26. The Solicitor reported that the question of the costs of the Appeal by the Vestry of Camberwell, against the Rates made by the Board, was, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 6th October last, (No. 8), standing over until Mr. Pew, the representative of the Parish, might be able to attend.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the subject be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report.

27. The Solicitor reported that the Engineer had, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 10th ultimo, (No. 34), met the Engineer of the Pneumatic Despatch Company, with reference to the difficulty that existed as to the removal of the Company's tube in High Holborn, and he now laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Baxter, Rose, and Co., dated 17th November, 1865, requesting that a little further time might be allowed, to enable the Company to arrange the difficulty.

Resolved—That the request of Messrs. Baxter and Co. be acceded to, and that the Solicitor do accordingly stay proceedings against the Company.

28. Read a Report by the Solicitor, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board of the 24th ultimo, (No. 63), relative to the erection of a building on the South side of the East India Dock-road, whereby the entrance to a narrow way, called Cottage-street, was reduced to 4 feet 3 inches.

Resolved—That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

29. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. William Webster, dated 27th November, 1865, with reference to the claim of Mr. Simmonds, for compensation for alleged damage to his premises, No. 66, Camberwell-road, by the execution of the Southern Low Level Sewer works, stating that he believed the claim to be unfounded, and that he, therefore, declined to repair the premises, or make any compensation.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, and that they be authorized to carry out any resolution at which they may arrive, with reference thereto.

30. The Solicitor laid before the Board a notice, by Mr. George Knight, that he had appointed Mr. Edward Roberts, as Arbitrator on his behalf, to settle the compensation to be paid to him for the premises at the corner of Broad-street and Princes-street, Lambeth, required for the purposes of the Southern Embankment.

Resolved—That Mr. Frederick Marrable be appointed Arbitrator, on behalf of the Board, in the above-mentioned case.

The Solicitor laid before the Board an Instrument of Appointment of Mr. Marrable, as Arbitrator, accordingly.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Instrument of Appointment; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

31. The Solicitor presented a list of some Bills, as to which Plans were deposited, and stated that he should present to the Board next Friday, a list of Bills.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That the whole of the Bills to be brought before Parliament in the next Session, be referred to the Streets Committee.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Agreement, in duplicate, with the Bank of England, for the loan of £616,000, for the purposes of the Whitechapel Improvement, Middle-row, Holborn, Southwark Park, and the covering-over of the Main Sewers; also the Agreement, in duplicate, with the Bank of England for the continuation of the sum of £300,000, part of the Loan obtained from the Bank, in 1858, for the Covent Garden Approach, and Southwark and Westminster Communication.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreements; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

33. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Deed of Mortgage for £60,000, for the purposes of Southwark Park, being part of the above-mentioned loan of £616,000, together with a letter to the Bank of England, requesting them to pay the said sum of £60,000 to the account of the Board.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed of Mortgage, and that the Clerk do sign the letter to the Bank, requesting the payment of the amount; and the Seal of the Board was affixed to the said Deed of Mortgage, accordingly.

34. The Solicitor reported that the Treasury had given their Guarantee for the payment of the sum of £100,000, advanced by the Bank of England, for the purpose of the Southern Embankment, and that the amount had this day been paid over to the account of the Board. He laid before the Board a copy of the Security, with the Guarantee attached.

35. The Solicitor reported that the award of the Arbitrator, in the case of Mr. Eastwood's claim, was now ready, and could be obtained on payment of the expenses, amounting to £199 16s. 10d.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn for the sum of £199 16s. 10d.; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Account, accordingly.

36. The Solicitor reported that it was necessary to draw a Cheque in favour of Mr. Culverwell for £700, the amount agreed upon for compensation and costs in respect of damage to his premises, Nos. 19, 20, 21, and 22, Norfolk Street, Strand.

Resolved—That a Cheque be now drawn in favour of Mr. Culverwell, for £700; and a Cheque was drawn on the Thames Embankment Account, accordingly.

37. The Solicitor laid before the Board two letters from Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, dated 24th November, 1865, calling attention to alleged damage to the property of Mr. Pound, and Messrs. Roby and Pound, respectively, by the execution of the Northern Low Level Sewer works.

Resolved—That the said letters be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

38. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Report as to the responsibility of the Sureties proposed by Mr. J. W. Brooker, for the due execution of his Contract for the erection of hoards, fans, shoring, &c., for the new line of thoroughfare from Westminster-bridge to the Mansion House.

Resolved—That the said Sureties be approved.

39. The Solicitor reported that the case of Tulk *v.* the Board was appointed for trial this day, but that in consequence of a heavy Case still before the Court, it could not be taken before to-morrow, or Monday.

40. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Morgan, Secretary to the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, dated 20th November, 1865, requesting to be informed in what way the Board wished the deposit of £25,000, due by the Company on the 19th December next, to be made; and a Report thereon, as follows—

23rd November, 1865.

METROPOLIS SEWAGE.

I present a letter which the Chairman sent me to consider.

By the terms of the Agreement between the Board and the Company, Article 4, the Company is to deposit, within six months after the passing the Act, £25,000, as a guarantee for the due execution of the works, the interest accruing, however, to be the property of the depositors.

It seems to me that the Board has a right to have the money paid to it, and that the Board may keep it in such place of deposit, as they may deem most safe and advantageous. The Board would, no doubt, wish to point out to the Company the mode of deposit, as a matter of courtesy, and to give them an opportunity to make any remarks. I think it will be well to refer this matter to the Finance Committee, with power to carry out any resolution they may come to, or to report their views, as the Board may deem best.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Report be approved, and that the subject be accordingly referred to the Finance Committee.

41. It was **moved** by Mr. Legg, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—"That the Engineer report, as early as possible, to the Board what "deviations and additions are proposed to be made to their scheme by the Metropolis "Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, as mentioned in their application to "Parliament for the ensuing Session, and the amount of preference-capital proposed to "be raised by them, and how such alterations and additions will affect the interests of "this Board."

42. Mr. Clark, pursuant to notice, presented a Memorial from certain Inhabitants of Wellclose-square, calling attention to the state of the railed enclosure within the Square, and **moved**—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Architect do report to that Committee thereon.

The **motion** having been seconded by Mr. Newton, was put to the vote, and carried; and it was **resolved** accordingly.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. E. Williams, on behalf of Mr. Clements, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 39, Church-street, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was **moved** by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the ground in front of the proposed shop be given up to the public, and be paved at the expense of the owner

and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Harris, for the consent of the Board to the erection of eight houses in the Wandsworth-road, at the Western corner of the Cedars-road, Clapham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be granted, on condition that Wick's-lane, which forms the Western boundary of the property, be widened, so far as the intended building plot extends Southward, by setting off ten feet from the centre of the lane, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that they be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Miles, for the consent of the Board to the erection of houses and shops, in Bishop's-road, Cambridge-heath, Bethnal Green, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted, on condition that the fronts of the proposed houses and shops be kept back 10 feet from the outer edge of the footway curb, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the renewed application of Messrs. Hammack and Lambert, on behalf of Messrs. Mann, Crossman, and Company, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a public-house at the corner of Englefield and Hertford roads, Kingsland, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Tanner—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. E. W. Crabb, for a re-consideration of the condition annexed to the Order of the Board of the 10th instant, (No. 70), granting his application for consent to the erection of one-story additions to his premises situate at the corner of John-street, Kingsland-road, viz., that the front of the new work should be set back 20 feet from the centre of the street, and the ground outside such front be added to the public way.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Long—That the application be not granted.

48. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Bone, for a re-consideration of the Order of the Board of the 10th November last (No. 72), refusing their consent to the erection of a house at the South end of Crozier-terrace, Homerton, and submitting a requisition from a number of his tenants in the street in favour of the completion of the house.

It was moved by Mr. Tanner, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

49. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John William Petters and Mr. William Keep, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 1 and 2, Clara-cottages, and Nos. 1 and 2, Wilton-cottages, Latimer-road, Notting-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be not granted.

50. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Robert Offord, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops to eleven houses, Nos. 9 to 19, inclusive, St. Peter's-terrace, Kensington Park-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that no part of the proposed shop fronts do project beyond or in advance of the pilasters of the shop front of No. 20, immediately Northwards; that that line be kept parallel to the existing frontage throughout the entire length, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

51. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop, one story high, on the fore-court of the house, No. 163, Mile End-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

52. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Broadbridge, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a balcony to the first floor windows of the house, No. 9, Langham-street, St. Marylebone, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

53. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Evans, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house and stable, in Stafford-road, Old Ford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Cook—That so much of the application as relates to the erection of the proposed house be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board; but that so much of the application as relates to the erection of the proposed stable, be not granted.

54. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on letters from Mr. George Godwin, District Surveyor, and from the Vestry Clerk of Islington, calling attention to the erection of a house, by Mr. Shore, beyond the general line of frontage in Edward's-place, Ball's-pond, without the sanction of this Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the erection be approved; that Mr. Shore be informed that he committed an error in not applying for the consent of this Board to the same, and that Mr. Layton, the Vestry Clerk of Islington, and the District Surveyor, be informed of the course which the Board have adopted in the matter.

55. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a house in Leigh-road, at the corner of College-road, Highbury-park, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

56. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. A. and G. Secrett, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bow-windows to the houses now being built in Southbrook-street, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed projections be made only of the height of one story above the ground level, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

57. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles King, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable and coach-house, in the garden of his house, No. 1, Park Terrace, Highbury, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be not granted.

58. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Henry Major, for the approval by the Board of the construction of eaves to a house in Eastdown Park, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

59. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. J. Salmon, for a re-consideration of the Board's decision of the 10th instant (No. 86), refusing their sanction to the retention of a temporary wooden building, erected for an office, at No. 16, Spa-terrace, Bermondsey.

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

60. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Messrs. J. & J. Coleman, on behalf of Mr. Dixon, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a shed, supported by cast iron columns, over

tan-pits, at his premises in Manning-street, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the columns be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

61. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Hogben, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a shed, at No. 44, Chapel-street, Woolwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the whole of the wooden enclosures, except the doors, be entirely covered with iron, fixed to angle iron standards at the corners of the building, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

62. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Bennett, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at a warehouse in Rotherhithe New-road, at the end of Elizabeth-terrace.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

63. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 30th November, 1865, stating that, during the month of October, the sum of £16 15s. was received in respect of Fees on applications, for the approval of special buildings, under Section 56 of the Building Act, and that the amount had been paid to the Treasurer of the Board.

64. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Josiah Houle, on behalf of Messrs. Green and Stansby, for the approval by the Board of a modified plan for the formation of four new streets, on land near the Railway Station at Tranquil-vale, Blackheath.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved—That Mr. Brooker be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

65. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Edward Roberts, on behalf of Mr. William Watlins, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a new road, 40 feet wide, at the rear of houses in York-road and Edward-street, Battersea, and of the name "Sefton-street" for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

66. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Beriah Drew, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a road in continuation of "Woodfield-avenue," leading from Tooting-common to the Station of the Crystal Palace Railway, at Streatham.

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Harris, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

67. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Legg, on behalf of Mrs. Ram, for the approval by the Board

of a Plan for the formation of three new streets, at Manor-road, Blue Anchor-road, Bermondsey, two being in continuation of existing streets, named Manor-street and Lynton-street, and of the name "Rosebury-street" for the third.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be granted.

68. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 27th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. G. Thomas, on behalf of Mr. William Jay, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a mews at the rear of, and parallel to, St. James's-street, Pentonville.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed mews be made, in every part, 20 feet wide at the least.

69. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Thompson, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four new roads, 40 feet wide, near Cold Harbour-lane, Lambeth, and of the names "Wingmoor-road," "Teddington-road," Wanless-road," and "Hinton-road," for the same.

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

70. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the letter of Mr. J. C. Reynolds, on behalf of the Vestry of Camberwell, calling attention to the non-fulfilment of the condition upon which a new street, leading out of Peckham Rye-road, was sanctioned by the Board on the 13th November, 1863, (No. 6), on the application of Mr. Winter, as a footway, 20 feet wide, viz., that its entire surface should be flagged, and requesting that immediate steps might be taken to enforce compliance with the Order of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

71. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st December, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Richards, for the re-numbering of the houses in Gloucester-road, Old Brompton.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr Peckett—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

72. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st December, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. Layton, on behalf of the Vestry of Islington, for the re-numbering of the houses in Mildmay-park, Park-road, Barnsbury, and St. Peter's-street, and also for the alteration of the name of Park-road to "Cloudesley-road."

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

73. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st December, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Winnifrith, for the approval by the Board of the name "Hartfield-grove" for a new street on the South side of Hawthorn-grove, Penge, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 5th August, 1864, (No. 38).

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted.

74. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 1st December, 1865, on the application of Messrs. H. and F. Chester, on behalf of the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, for the re-numbering of the houses in Trinity-street, and the abolition of the subsidiary names therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Evans—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

75. The Superintending Architect laid before the Board the form of Licence to Messrs. Price and Co., for the storing of Rangoon Petroleum on their premises, at Millwall, Poplar, prepared pursuant to the resolution of the Board of the 24th November last, (No. 80), as follows—

Metropolitan Board of Works.

LICENCE FOR KEEPING PETROLEUM, 25 AND 26 VIC., c. 66.

Pursuant to the above-mentioned Act, the Metropolitan Board of Works, hereby, at their request licence Messrs. Charles Price and Company, of Millwall, Poplar, for the period of twelve calendar months, from the 17th day of October, 1865, to keep Rangoon Earth-oil, being Petroleum, on their premises, situate on each side of Ord-street, Millwall, within the jurisdiction of the said Board, as follows, viz.—

In three sheds, and two yards adjoining, on their wharf at Millwall, aforesaid, and in a continuous shed on two sides of their Refining works, on the Eastern side of Ord-street, aforesaid, the Southern wall of the wharf next Robert-street, and a return wall at the end of the Cooperage, having been raised to the satisfaction of the Superintending Architect of Metropolitan Buildings.

Such Licence is hereby granted on the conditions following, that is to say—

1.—Rangoon Petroleum to be the only Petroleum stored on the premises above-mentioned.

2.—Notice of any further storage to be given to the Board, and a further Licence to be obtained before other premises can be used.

3.—The roofs of the sheds to be tiled.

4.—The floors to be earth.

5.—The native oil and its products to be kept in casks.

6.—The refining processes to be carried on as heretofore.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That the Licence to Messrs. Price and Company, for keeping Rangoon Earth Oil, being Petroleum, on their premises, situate in Ord-street, Millwall, for twelve calendar months from the 17th October last, be granted, in the terms now submitted, and that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto.

The Seal of the Board was then affixed to the said Licence.

76. Read a communication from Mr. John Young, Surveyor, under the Metropolitan Building Act, 1855, of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, dated 25th November, 1865, notifying that the premises, No. 76, Aldgate, were about to be rebuilt under his professional superintendence, and requesting the Board to appoint some other Surveyor as the District Surveyor to superintend such works.

Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, on the motion of Mr. Peckett, as follows—

Whereas, Mr. John Young, Surveyor of the District of the Eastern Division of the City of London, did, on the 25th day of November, 1865, give notice to this Board that he was engaged to act professionally in respect of the rebuilding of the premises, No. 76, Aldgate, within the District aforesaid; and the said John Young has been since the said date, and now is, engaged to act professionally, as aforesaid. Now, therefore, it is ordered by this Board—That Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, Surveyor of the District of the Western Division of the City of London, be appointed by this Board, and the said Rawlinson Parkinson is hereby appointed, to survey the said premises, for the purposes of the Metropolitan Building Act, 1865, and to act as District Surveyor in respect thereof.

77. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 28th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, District Surveyor of the Western Division of the City of London, requesting the appointment of a Fee for special services, performed in relation to the reinstatement, after a fire, of a portion of the premises of Messrs. Norris, No. 128, Aldersgate-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Peckett—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

78. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 8th November, 1865, in reply to the circular letter of this Board on the subject of Dangerous Businesses, stating that the District Board did not consider it at all desirable to institute proceedings in respect of such businesses.

79. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, dated 11th November, 1865, requesting to be furnished with a copy of the letter from Mr. Baring, relative to the proposed consolidation of District Municipal Boards in the Metropolis, and reported that he had sent to Mr. Jebb a copy of the letter referred to.

80. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 22nd November, 1865, transmitting a copy of a Resolution passed by the District Board, expressing their opposition to any interference by the Government, with the powers of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis.

81. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. J. P. Seddon and C. F. Hayward, Honorary Secretaries, Royal Institute of British Architects, dated 11th November, 1865, stating that certificates of competency to perform the duties of District Surveyor had been granted to Mr. Vincent John Grose and Mr. Henry John Hansom; and a further letter from them, dated 8th November, 1865, acknowleding the receipt of the Ninth Annual Report on the Monthly Returns of the District Surveyors.

82. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Shepherd, dated 21st November, 1865, requesting to be furnished with a copy of the notes of his examination before the Main Drainage Committee on the 14th instant, and that all his Plans, Reports, and Papers, relative to the Utilization of the Sewage of the South side of the Thames, might be returned to him. The Clerk reported that a copy of the notes of Mr. Shepherd's examination had been sent to him.

Resolved—That the Clerk do inform Mr. Shepherd that the Board are unable to comply with his request for a return of the letters addressed by him to the Board, on the subject referred to.

83. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. F. Woodthorpe, Town Clerk, Guildhall, dated 21st November, 1865, transmitting a copy of the Orders and Regulations issued by the Court of Aldermen, relative to the use of Locomotive Engines in the City of London, and reported that they were to the same effect as those issued by this Board.

84. Read a letter from Mr. H. J. Davey, dated 28th November, 1865, calling attention to the state of the roadways and footpaths in Cambridge-terrace, Grosvenor-park, Camberwell, and requesting the Board to direct the Vestry of St. Mary, Newington, to execute the works necessary for the repair of the same.

It was moved by Mr. Evans, seconded by Mr. Le Breton, and

Resolved—That the said letter be forwarded to the Vestry of Saint Mary, Newington.

85. The Clerk laid before the Board a list, as follows, of the Plans, &c., for Railways and other works, which had been deposited at this Office, pursuant to the Standing Orders of the House of Commons, and stated that such Plans, &c., had been handed to the Engineer, pursuant to the Order of the Board of the 16th October, 1863, (No. 8), viz—

1. Public Offices Site.
2. National Gallery Enlargement.
3. Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation.
4. St. Martin-in-the-Fields (Sale of Workhouse, Schools, and purchase of new Sites).
5. Muswell Hill Estate and Railways.
6. South Kensington Road.
7. Midland Railway (Branches).
8. Midland Railway (additional powers).
9. London and South Western Railway (additional powers).
10. Great Western Railway (further powers).
11. Columbia (Bethnal Green) Market and Approaches.
12. Waterloo and Whitehall Railway (Extension to Newington Butts).
13. North Surrey Railways.
14. City of London Corporation (Gas).
15. Great Northern Railway.
16. Hampstead, Highgate, and Charing Cross Railway.
17. Houses of Parliament Approaches.
18. Metropolis District Railways.
19. Wimbledon Railways.
20. Metropolitan Railways (Inner Circle).
21. Bricklayers' Arms and Elephant and Castle Junction Railway.
22. St. Margaret, Westminster Improvements.
23. Metropolitan Railway.
24. Great Eastern Railway.
25. Mid-London Railway.
26. South Kensington New Roads.
27. Brixton, Clapham, and Balham Extension Railways.
28. South Eastern and London, Chatham, and Dover (London, Lewes, and Brighton) Railways.
29. London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (New Lines, &c.)
30. London, Chatham, and Dover Railway, (various powers).
31. Kilburn Railway (from Metropolitan Railway to Kilburn).
32. Westminster Boulevard.
33. Clapham and London Bridge Railways.
34. High Street, Kensington Improvements.
35. Park Lane Improvements.
36. Thames Embankment (Chelsea).
37. Thames Embankment, North (Approaches).
38. East London Eastern Extension Railway.

39. London and North Western Railway (New works and additional powers).
40. North Metropolitan Railway.
41. East London Railway (South Western Extension).
42. East London Railway (New Junctions and additional powers).
43. Great Eastern Railway (Alexandra Park Branch).
44. Barnet, Hendon, Hampstead, and London Railway.
45. Hampstead, Holloway, and Kingsland Railway.
46. Holloway and Metropolitan Junction Railway.
47. Metropolitan and St. John's Wood Railway (Extensions).
48. Metropolitan Railway (Station Collecting Lines).
49. Belgravia and South Kensington New Road.
50. Wandsworth Canal.
51. Crystal Palace and South London Junction Railway (New lines).
52. Peckham Rye and Lewisham Road.
53. Metropolitan, Wimbledon, and Richmond Railway.
54. City, Kingston, and Richmond Railway.
55. City and London Bridge Railways.
56. London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (various powers).
57. London, Chatham, and Dover, and South Eastern, Bromley, Farnborough and West Wickham Railways.
58. London, Chatham, and Dover, and South Eastern (Kennington, Clapham and Brixton) Railways.
59. South Eastern Railway (New Lines at Greenwich).
60. Croydon direct Railway.
61. The London Railways' Gas Company.
62. Thames Subway (Deptford to Poplar).
63. London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway (Surrey Lines).

86. The following notice was given for the meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Silas Taylor, (No 260)—As to the payment, by the Metropolitan Railway Company, of the amount (£18,000) to be paid by them to this Board, in respect of the damage to the Fleet Sewer, &c.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 8th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 44.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **8th** day of **December**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.
Benjamin Lucas Judkins, Esq.
John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Denis M'Donnell, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.
William Newton, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Major William Lyon.
Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
James Pew, Esq.
Edward Collinson, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.
George Peckett, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.
Charles Westerton, Esq.
William Clark, Esq.
James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.
John Orde Hall, Esq.
Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 1st December instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

2. A Deputation from the Vestry of Rotherhithe, introduced by Mr. Judkins, attended the Board, and presented a Memorial urging the Board to proceed with the formation of the Southwark Park, with the least possible delay. The Deputation consisted of the following gentlemen, viz:—Mr. J. B. Perks, Mr. Churchwarden Serle, Messrs. Tilley, Erwin, Smith, and Cowan; and Mr. Hawks, Vestry Clerk.

The Memorial having been read, the Deputation addressed the Board in support thereof.

Mr. Legg handed in a letter from Mr. Riches, Assistant Clerk to the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 6th December, 1865, stating their concurrence in the views of the Rotherhithe Vestry, and earnestly entreating the Board to grant the prayer of the Memorial.

It was moved by Mr. Judkins, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the said Memorial and Letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration, in connection with the former references on the subject.

3. Mr. Legg handed in a letter from Mr. Riches, Assistant Clerk to the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 6th December, 1865, calling attention to the dark state of several Railway Arches crossing public streets in the Metropolis, and inquiring whether the Board have power under any of the Clauses of which they obtain the insertion in Railway Bills, to direct such arches to be efficiently lighted by the Company erecting the same, when the Plans are submitted for approval; and if not, requesting the Board in future to endeavour to obtain such power.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Solicitor do report to that Committee thereon.

4. Mr. Legg presented a communication from the Vestry of Bermondsey, under their Common Seal, complaining that their endeavours to obtain wide streets and a uniform line of frontage had been rendered abortive, by builders being allowed to put up buildings in advance of the general line, which they complained the Board had allowed to be done, notwithstanding the remonstrances of the Vestry; and expressing their hope that, on future occasions, the Board would give more consideration to the objections of the Vestry than had hitherto been the case.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

5. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
5th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have proceeded further on the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 20th October last, (No. 6.), referring to them the subject of the Fire Brigade, and they now beg to present their second Report on the subject, which embodies the result of the further labours of the Sub-Committee appointed for the purpose of investigating details.

It appears to your Committee desirable that the subject of the Medical Attendance for the force should be at once taken into consideration, in order that the necessary arrangements may be made by the 1st January next, on which day the duties of your Honorable Board, with regard to the Fire Brigade, will commence. At present, there is but one Medical Officer for the whole force, and the gentleman at present holding the office, and who has held it for the last thirty years, is Mr. C. F. Browne, of No. 91, Camberwell-road.

It appears to your Committee that the area over which the men of the new Brigade will be spread, will be far too extensive to admit of one Medical Officer efficiently discharging this duty, and that it will therefore be necessary to divide this area into Districts, with a Medical Officer to each. After due consideration, your Committee are of opinion that the best division would be that already determined on by the Board, with regard to the Districts under the charge of the Foremen. There would thus be four Medical Officers, whose Districts would be conterminous with those under the charge of the Foremen. Your Committee have ascertained that the emoluments of the present Medical Officer consist of 20s. per annum for each man in the force, and, in addition to this, he receives 10s. 6d. for the examination of each selected Candidate. Your Committee are of opinion that it would tend very much to convenience, if the duty of examining candidates were, as now, to devolve upon one Medical Officer, say the Senior for the time being, instead of being divided amongst the four, which your Committee propose should be appointed. With this exception, they think the emoluments of each Medical Officer should be the same as now, viz., 20s. per annum for each man in his District, that sum to include medicine, surgical appliances, and attendance of every kind, so that there may be no claim for extra payment on any account. They are also of opinion that the Medical Officers should be required to reside in the Districts to which they shall respectively be appointed, and, as a general rule, to give their personal attention to each case brought under their notice; to attend the Meetings of the Board or Committees, whenever required, and to furnish such certificates and returns as may be found necessary. The following is the number of men of all ranks proposed to be attached to each District—

A	District - - - -	103
B	do. - - - -	85
C	do. - - - -	75
D	do. - - - -	87

Your Committee have had before them a letter from Mr. Browne, the present Medical Officer, expressing his desire to continue to hold that office in the Brigade, and your Committee, having regard to the length of time during which he has filled the post of Medical Officer to the present Establishment, and to the satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties thereof, are unanimously of opinion that he should be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Medical Officer of the Southern District, in which he resides. His emoluments from this source would be considerably less than those of his present office, as he would only have about 87 men under his care, instead of 130, as at present. Your Committee would therefore suggest that he should be appointed Examining Surgeon to the whole Brigade, for which they think his long experience in examining Candidates, and his knowledge of the physical qualifications required, render him peculiarly fitted. They would recommend that he should be paid for such examination at the rate of 10s. 6d. for each selected Candidate, as at present. As regards the medical appointments in the other three Districts, your Committee would recommend that Advertisements be inserted in the "Lancet" and "Medical Times," inviting Candidates for the offices.

The next subject which occupied the attention of your Committee was that of the telegraphic communication between the different Stations. This is, at present, undertaken by the London District Telegraph Company; the Committee have had before

them a letter from the Secretary of the Universal Private Telegraph Company, expressing the desire of that Company to Tender for the Contract; but, as there would hardly be time for the Board to decide upon any permanent arrangements before the 1st January next, your Committee are of opinion that it is advisable to continue the arrangement at present existing with the London District Telegraph Company, for a period of six months from the 1st January next, pending final arrangements. Your Committee submit, herewith, a Statement showing the several lines of communication at present existing, and the cost thereof, amounting to £245 per annum.

Your Committee have also considered the subject of the Contracts for the supply of Horses for the Engines. It appears to them that the present running Contracts, terminable on three months' notice, might, advantageously, be continued for a time, and they would suggest that course for adoption, and that it should be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary documents for that purpose. Your Committee submit, herewith, a list of the present Contractors, with the terms and conditions of payment.

The attention of your Committee has also been directed to the subject of the payments to persons who call the engines on the occasion of fires. They have ascertained from Captain Shaw that the custom at present is to give 1s. to the first person who gives notice at the Station of the occurrence of a fire, and in cases where two or three persons arrive almost together, that is, within a minute or two of each other, or when notice is given simultaneously at two Stations, it is customary to pay 1s. to each person, in order to encourage the practice of giving immediate notice of a fire. In no case, however, is anything paid for false alarms. It appears to your Committee that this system of payment for calls is one that it is desirable to continue, as it offers the greatest security for the receipt of early notice.

Your Committee, feeling it necessary that some steps should at once be taken towards fixing on the permanent Stations, have, in the first place, considered the advisability of maintaining the existing Stations, as shown on the Plan now submitted, and marked Green; and having duly considered the utility and advantages attaching to each of them, it appears to them that it is advisable to maintain all the Stations at present existing, with one exception, viz., that in Wells-street, Oxford-street.

The Sub-Committee are now proceeding further on the subject of the permanent Stations, with the view of ascertaining and reporting the localities in which it appears most desirable that the new Stations should be erected, in order that the sites may be determined on, and arrangements made for obtaining the same with as little delay as possible.

Your Committee deeming it desirable that each quarter of the Metropolis should be duly represented on the Sub-Committee engaged in this important task, in order that proper regard may be had to the interests of each district, have added the names of Mr. Richardson and Mr. Lammin to those already on the Sub-Committee, whose names were submitted by your Committee to your Honorable Board on the occasion of their first Report. They beg to report the fact of the addition of the names of these two gentlemen, for the information of the Board.

The result of the deliberations of your Committee is embodied in the following Resolutions, which they now beg to submit, viz.—

That four Medical Officers be appointed to the Fire Brigade, viz., one for each of the four Districts of the Metropolis.

That the Medical Officers be paid, as at present, at the rate of 20s. per annum for each man in their respective Districts, that sum to include medicine, surgical appliances, and attendance of every kind, and that each of them be required to reside in the District to which he is appointed.

That the Medical Officers be required, as a general rule, to give their personal attention to each case brought under their notice, to attend the meetings of the Board or Committees whenever required, and to furnish such certificates and returns as may be found necessary.

That Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, be appointed during the pleasure of the Board, Medical Officer of the Southern District, and Examining Surgeon to the whole Brigade; and that, in addition to the 20s. per annum for each man in his District, he be paid 10s. 6d. for the examination of each selected candidate.

That advertisements be inserted in the "Lancet" and "Medical Times," inviting Candidates for appointment as Medical Officers for the other three Districts.

That the arrangement at present existing with the London District Telegraph Company, for telegraphic communications between the different Stations, be continued for a period of six months, from the 1st January next, pending final arrangements.

That the present Contracts for the supply of Horses for the Engines be continued, determinable, as now, on three months' notice, and that it be referred to the Solicitor, to prepare the necessary documents for that purpose.

That the present payment of 1s. for calls, or notification of fires, be continued.

That the existing Stations of the present Establishment, marked Green on the Plan now submitted, be maintained by the Board, with the exception of that in Wells-street, Oxford-street.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 22nd September last, (No. 14), they have considered the letter from Mr. R. F. Chew, Lighterman, calling attention to alleged damage to the bed of Deptford-creek, by the discharge from the Main Drainage Outlet. Mr. Chew complains that, in consequence of the force with which the water is discharged from the overflow outlet, on the occasion of heavy rains, the bed of the creek is much disturbed, and stones and bricks are deposited, which injure the barges continually passing in the creek, and he requests that the Board will direct such steps to be taken as will remedy the evil complained of. Your Committee have given much consideration to this subject, and have conferred with the Engineer and Solicitor thereon. They have ascertained from the Engineer that it is impossible for stones, brickbats, or heavy substances of that description to pass out of the sewer into the creek, as in order to do so they would have to rise to a height of about 10 feet, so as to pass over the weir. These substances might be thrown into the creek by any mischievous persons, and it appears to your Committee that it does not devolve upon the Board to undertake to keep the bed of the creek free from such obstructions. Your Committee beg to submit this, as the conclusion at which they have arrived.

Your Committee have also to report that, in compliance with your Resolution of the 24th ultimo, (No. 10), they have considered the Engineer's Report, recommending the construction of a wharf-wall at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, by Mr. Webster, in conjunction with his works for the foundations of the building, at an estimated cost of £5,000. Your Honorable Board resolved, on the 24th ultimo, (No. 10), to purchase a quarter of an acre of ground for wharfage accommodation at the Pumping Station, and in connection with this it is necessary that the wharf-wall should be built. Your Committee have conferred with the Engineer thereon, and have satisfied themselves that the

wharf should be constructed without delay, as it will be required for the purpose of landing the engines and machinery, as well as the materials for the building, and will greatly facilitate the progress of the works. They are also of opinion that it would be most convenient and advantageous that the work should be executed by Mr. Webster, in conjunction with his works for the foundations of the building, and they beg to recommend accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
W. H. DALTON.

FORM OF AGREEMENT WITH LONDON DISTRICT TELEGRAPH COMPANY, REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

AGREEMENT made this 28th day of April, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, between The London District Telegraph Company (Limited), of No. 90, Cannon-street, in the City of London, and the London Fire Engine Establishment, of Watling-street and elsewhere, in London. WHEREBY the said Company agree to provide and maintain, in working order, at their own expense, during the continuance of this agreement, (accidents and interruptions beyond the control of the Company being excepted). A line of Telegraph between the Fire Engine Station at , and the Fire Engine Station situated at , by such route or routes as the said Company may, from time to time, determine upon, with liberty to the said Company to erect and fix all such poles, standards, or brackets, on the roofs of the said premises as may be required, also to maintain, in working order, (accidents and interceptions beyond the control of the Company being excepted,) the necessary Dial Telegraph Instruments, with magnetic power complete, for working the said Lines of Telegraph between the places aforesaid. TO HAVE, and to hold, unto the said London Fire Engine Establishment, from the Twenty-fifth day of March, One thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, at the annual rent of Fourteen pounds (£14); the said rent being payable in equal proportions on the most usual quarter days, and to be terminable, after the expiration of a three months' notice on either side, to date from any of the usual quarter days, *videlicit*, twenty-fourth June, Twenty-ninth September, Twenty-fifth December, and Twenty-fifth March. IN WITNESS whereof, the said parties have attached their seals or signatures, the day above written.

Between the Fire Engine Station, 68, Watling-street, and the Fire Engine Station, No. 23,

			Bishopsgate-street Without	@	£14
,,	Bishopsgate-street	,,	Ratcliff	@	18
,,	do.	,,	Wellclose-square	@	16
,,	do.	,,	Whitecross-street	@	14
,,	67, Watling-street	,,	Farringdon-street	@	14
,,	Farringdon-street	,,	Holborn	@	14
,,	do.	,,	Chandos-street	@	16
,,	do.	,,	Crown-street, St. Giles's	@	16
,,	67, Watling-street	,,	King-street, Golden-square	@	18
,,	King-street, Golden-square		Wells-street	@	12
,,	do.	,,	King-street, Baker-street	@	14
,,	do.	,,	Horseferry-road	@	20
,,	67, Watling-street	,,	Southwark Bridge-road	@	14
,,	Southwark Bridge-road		Waterloo-road	@	14
,,	do.	,,	Tooley-street	@	14
,,	do.	,,	Rotherhithe	@	17

LIST OF NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE HORSE CONTRACTORS FOR THE SEVERAL STATIONS, &c., REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

No.	Station.	Name and Address of Horse Contractor.	No. of Horses to each Station.	Conditions of Payment.	
				Horses, paid for per Run.	Horses, paid for per Annum.
1	118, Cock-hill, Ratcliff	T. Wasmuth, 25, Wellclose-square	2	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour, half the amount more is charged.	
2	20 and 21, Wellclose-square ...	ditto	3	At the rate of 15s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 7s. 6d. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour, half the amount more is charged.	
3	23, Bishopsgate-street, Without	J. Standen, William-street, New-cut, Lambeth	3	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
4	64, Whitecross-street	ditto	2		
5	66, 67, 68, and 69, Watling-street	R. Stapleton, Old Broad-street-mews	4	... ...	At £80 per annum for each horse, exclusive of driver, who is paid by L. F. E. E.
6	27½, Farringdon-street	J. Webster, 3, Phœnix-place, Coldbath-fields	3	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
7	254, High Holborn	ditto	2		
8	44, Chandos-street	Mr. Buer, Lemontree-yard, Bedfordbury	2	... ...	At £106 per annum for each horse, including driver.
9	George-yard, Crown-street, Soho	J. Webster, 3, Phœnix-place, Coldbath-fields	2	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
10	76, Wells-street, Oxford-street ..	Mr. Payne, 20, Charlotte-street, Fitzroy-square	2		
11	33, King-street, Baker-street ...	Mr. Brecy, 1a, Little-George-street, Portman-square	2		
12	39, King-street, Golden-square	J. Standen, William-street, New-cut, Lambeth	3	Ditto, with an additional 2s. 6d. for each run.	
13	Horseferry-road, Westminster...	Mr. Bobbett, 72a, Horseferry-road	2	At the rate of 16s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 8s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
15	142, Waterloo-road	Mr. Standen, William-street, New-cut, Lambeth	3	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s. for each additional mile, and 2s. 6d. extra added on the run. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
16	2, Southwark Bridge-road ...	Mr. May, 101, Southwark-bridge-road	3	At the rate of 10s. per run for 2 miles distance, and 5s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour, half the amount more is charged.	
17	165, Tooley-street	Mr. Bryant, Star-yard, Borough	3	At the rate of 15s. per run for 2 miles, and 7s. 6d. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	
18	6, Lucas-street, Rotherhithe ...	Mr. West, 8, Paradise-street, Rotherhithe	2	At the rate of 16s. per run for 2 miles, and 8s. for each additional mile. If detained over half-an-hour at a Fire, half the amount more is charged.	

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Dalton—That for the present, and until further Order, four Medical Officers be appointed for the Fire Brigade, viz., one for each of the four Districts of the Metropolis.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Judkins—That five Medical Officers be appointed instead of four, two for the South side of the river, and three for the North.

After discussion, the **amendment** was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn.

The **original motion** was then put to the vote and carried, and it was

Resolved—That for the present, and until further Order, four Medical Officers be appointed for the Fire Brigade, viz., one for each of the four Districts of the Metropolis.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Dalton, and

Resolved—That the Medical Officers be paid, as at present, at the rate of 20s. per annum for each man in their respective Districts, that sum to include medicine, surgical appliances, and attendance of every kind; that no extra charge whatever be allowed, and that each of them be required to reside in the District to which he is appointed.

Resolved—That the Medical Officers be required, as a general rule, to give their personal attention to each case brought under their notice, to attend the Meetings of the Board or Committees whenever required, and to furnish such certificates and returns as may be found necessary.

Read a letter, as follows—

Watling-street, E.C,
December 6th, 1865.

J. Pollard, Esq.

Dear Sir,

Hitherto the Surgeon has been paid as follows, viz.—Suppose eight men are presented for inspection, with instructions to select the four, or three best, as the case may be, the Surgeon selects the number specified, and charges a fee of 10s. 6d. for each man selected. On the other hand, if only one man is presented to him, he receives a fee of 10s. 6d. on that one, whether he passes him or not. I think it will facilitate your negotiations on this part of the subject very much, if you will communicate with Mr. W. M. Browne, of the Westminster Fire Office, as he thoroughly understands all about it.

Yours, &c.,
(Signed) EYRE M. SHAW.

The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. M. Browne, Honorary Secretary to the London Fire Engine Establishment, dated 6th December, 1865, stating the practice hitherto pursued with regard to the payment of the Medical Officer of the Establishment, for the examination of applicants for appointment as Firemen.

It was **moved** by Mr. Freeman, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, be appointed during the pleasure of the Board, Medical Officer of the Southern District, and Examining Surgeon to the whole Brigade; and that, in addition to the 20s. per annum for each man in his District, he be paid 10s. 6d. for the examination of the Candidates, as heretofore.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Brooker, and seconded by Mr. Richardson—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A further **amendment** was then **moved** by Mr. Miller, M.P., and seconded by Major Lyon—"That Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present establishment, be "appointed to the Southern District; and that, in addition to the 20s. per annum for each "man in his District, he be paid 10s. 6d. for the examination of each Candidate in his own "District."

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—15.		Against the Amendment—14.	
Beven, T., Esq.	Moreland, J., Esq,	Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
Clark, W., Esq.	Saunders, J. E. Esq.	Brushfield, T., Esq.	Peckett, G., Esq.
Cook, E. R., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.	Carpmael, W., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Judkins, B. L., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Savage, J., Esq.
Lyon, Major W.	Westerton, C., Esq.	Harris, C., Eq.	
Teller—Mr. Miller, M.P.		Teller—Mr. Freeman.	

And there not being a majority of the Members present for or against the amendment, the Board came to no resolution thereon.

A further amendment was then moved by Mr. Legg, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for re-consideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was carried in the affirmative; and having been put as an original motion, was also carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the insertion of Advertisements, inviting applications from Candidates for appointment as Medical Officers in the other three Districts, be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the arrangement at present existing with the London District Telegraph Company, for telegraphic communication between the different Stations, be continued for a period of six months from the 1st January next, pending final arrangements.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the present Contracts for the Supply of Horses for the Engines be continued, determinable, as now, on three months' notice; and that it be referred to the Solicitor, to prepare the necessary documents for that purpose.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the present payment of one shilling for calls, or notification of fires, be continued.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the following permanent Fire Engine Stations, marked Green on the Plan now submitted, be maintained by the Board, viz.—Nos. 66, 67, 68, and 69, Watling-street, City; No. 118, Cock-hill, Ratcliff; Nos. 20 and 21, Wellclose-square; No. 23, Bishopsgate-street, Without; No. 64, Whitecross-street; No. 27½, Farringdon-street; No. 254, High Holborn; No. 44, Chandos-street; George-yard, Crown-street, Soho; No. 33, King-street, Baker-street; No. 39, King-street, Golden-square; Horseferry-road, Westminster; No. 142, Waterloo-road; No. 2, Southwark Bridge-road; No. 165, Tooley-street; and No. 6, Lucas-street, Rotherhithe, being the same as those at present existing, with the exception of that in Wells-street, Oxford-street.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the complaint, by Mr. Chew, of alleged damage to the bed of Deptford-creek, be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the requisite wharf-wall at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station be built by Mr. Webster, in conjunction with his works for the foundations of the building, at an estimated cost of £5,000.

6. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
6th December, 1865.

In exercise of the authority given to your Committee by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they beg to report that they have drawn Cheques, as follows, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Drawing Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4)—

Re Stebbing, No. 17, Labour-in-Vain-yard—			
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Hardisty and Rhodes)		£22	13 6
Surveyor's Costs (Mr. E. J. Smith)		16	0 0
Re Grocers' Company (Warehouse in Watling-street)—			
Solicitor's Costs of Investment (W. Ruck)		14	19 8
Re St. Benet's Parish, No. 8, Addle Hill—			
Solicitor's Costs of Title and Conveyance	£35 0 0		
Do. do. Chancery proceedings	26 0 0		
Do. do. Costs of Investment	26 0 0		
(Payable to Mr. Frederick Farrar)		87	0 0
Re St. John's College, Cambridge, 17, Addle Hill—			
Interest on purchase-money		80	1 1
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Francis, Webster, and Riches)		18	16 7
Surveyors' Costs (Messrs. Norton and Trist)		34	0 0
Re Gray's Trustees—			
Surveyors' Costs (Messrs. Fox and Bousfield)		26	0 0

Your Honorable Board having, on the 4th August last, (No. 10), approved of the Plans and Estimates for carrying out the proposed improvement in the High-street, Kensington, and instructed the Solicitor to take the necessary steps for preparing a Bill, with a view to its introduction in the next Session of Parliament, your Committee have now to report that the necessary Plans, &c., have been duly deposited, in accordance with the Standing Orders of the House of Commons, and that the Solicitor has prepared and submitted to them the Draft of the proposed Bill. Your Committee have carefully considered the Draft Bill, which they beg to submit herewith for the approval of your Honorable Board, and they recommend that it be deposited as required by Parliament.

Your Committee have further to report that, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 3rd November last, (No. 5), Parliamentary Notices, Books of Reference, Plans, and Estimates of the following improvements, viz., the formation of Approaches to the Thames Embankment, as recommended by the Thames Embankment Committee; the construction of an Embankment of the Thames at Chelsea, and the widening of Park-lane at the Piccadilly end, have been prepared, and submitted to your Committee. They have ascertained that the net cost of the new improvements, estimated approximately, is as follows—

Approaches to the Thames Embankment	£454,700 0 0
Embankment of the Thames at Chelsea	206,000 0 0
Widening of Park-lane	105,000 0 0

Your Committee have had before them the Drafts of the Bills prepared by the Solicitor, for the carrying out of the proposed improvements, which they now beg to submit for the approval of your Honorable Board, and they recommend that these Bills be also deposited, as required by the Standing Orders.

Your Committee have issued instructions for the printing of a sufficient number of copies of the Bills now submitted, and for the same to be forwarded to each Member of the Board.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
G. B. RICHARDSON.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—That the Bill now submitted for carrying out the Improvement in High-street, Kensington, be approved, and deposited, as required by Parliament.

It was moved by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Moreland—That the Estimates of the net cost of the Approaches to the Thames Embankment; the widening of Park-lane, and the formation of the Embankment of the Thames, at Chelsea, and the Bills for carrying out the same, now submitted, be approved; and that such Bills be deposited, as required by Parliament.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Miller, M.P., and seconded by Mr. Cook—That the further consideration of the subject of the three Improvements be adjourned until this day fortnight, and that the Plans and Estimates be circulated amongst the Members of the Board; and that the Solicitor do deposit the Bills, as required by Parliament.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was

Resolved—That the Estimates of the net cost of the Approaches to the Thames Embankment, the widening of Park-lane, and the formation of the Embankment of the Thames, at Chelsea, and the Bills for carrying out the same, now submitted, be approved; and that such Bills be deposited, as required by Parliament.

7. A Report, as follows, was brought up—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
6th December, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 14th November, 1862, (No. 4), they are proceeding with the acquisition of the several properties required for the Thames Embankment (North), and that they have drawn the following Cheques, for payments in connection with the under-mentioned claim, viz.—

Re Luer—Interest on Compensation (less Property Tax) - -	£42 16 7
Solicitors' costs of the lease (Messrs. C. J. and H. Shoubridge) -	9 17 8

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
J. S. PHILLIPS.

The Report having been read—Resolved—That it be received.

8. Resolved—That the Board do now adjourn, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of the Special Board, appointed to be held this day.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **8th** day of **December**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
James Pew, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.	Benjamin Lucas Judkins, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Thomas Beven, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
James Brooker, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	John Savage, Esq.
		William Newton, Esq.

1. The Clerk laid before the Board the Requisition convening the Meeting, as follows—

To the Clerk
of the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Spring Gardens,
5th December, 1865.

I hereby require you to convene a Special Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, to be holden at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on Friday next, the 8th day of December, 1865, at half-past Twelve o'Clock, p.m., for the transaction of the following business—

Further to consider Report from Finance Committee—

Recommending—

That a new Precept be issued to the Parish of Chiswick, for the amount now due in respect of the apportionment of the Mortgage Debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.

And to pass the necessary orders thereon.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.

2. The Board, pursuant to their Resolution of Friday last, (No. 4), resumed the consideration of the Report of the Finance Committee, in relation to the amount due from the Parish of Chiswick, in respect of the apportionment of the Mortgage Debts of the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, to the effect that the Board, on the 28th of July last, ordered the then existing rate on the Parish to be quashed, and new Precepts to be issued to the Parish, returnable on the 31st December then next; that the old rate being now quashed, it was advisable the new Precept should be at once issued, and that it would be necessary to extend the period for the payment of the Precept beyond the time specified in the above-mentioned Order of the Board, and submitting the Precept, and recommending that the Seal of the Board be affixed thereto.

The Clerk laid before the Board a Return, as follows, showing the state of the several Precepts for the years 1857 to 1865, inclusive—

Year.	Date of Precepts.	Amount of Precepts already issued.			Special Credits, pursuant to Amendment Act, 1862.			Amount for which a new Precept is to be issued.		
		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
1857	15 January, 1858 ...	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1858	31 December, 1858 ...	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1859	17 June, 1859	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1860	11 May, 1860	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1861	8 February, 1861 ...	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1862	10 January, 1862 ...	507	15	6	157	18	8	349	16	10
1863	2 January, 1863 ...	349	16	10	157	18	8	191	18	2
1864	1 January, 1864 ...	349	15	10		...		349	15	10
1865	13 January, 1865 ...	345	4	7		...		345	4	7
	£	4,091	10	3	1,105	10	8	2,985	19	7

Resolved, *unanimously*, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That so much of the Assessment made by the Board on the 15th January, 1858; 31st December, 1858; 17th June, 1859; 11th May, 1860; 8th February, 1861; 10th January, 1862; 2nd January, 1863; 1st January, 1864, and 13th January, 1865, respectively, as assesses the respective Sums of £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1857; £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1858; £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1859; £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1860; £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1861; £507 15s. 6d. for the year 1862; £349 16s. 10d. for the year 1863; £349 15s. 10d. for the year 1864; and £345 4s. 7d. for the year 1865, upon the Parish of Chiswick included in the former Fulham and Hammersmith separate Sewerage District, be revoked, and that, in lieu of the said last-mentioned sums, the sum assessed upon the said Parish be £2,985 19s. 7d., which sum ought, in the judgment of the Board, to be charged upon the said Parish, for payment of the Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities which, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon and payable out of the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder upon the said Parish, and which Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities were and are, by virtue of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," charged on the said Parish; And it is **ordered**, that a new Precept do issue to the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Chiswick, in the County of Middlesex, requiring payment of the said sum of £2,985 19s. 7d., on or before the 8th day of June, now next ensuing, and that such Precept be served upon the said Overseers.

The Clerk laid before the Board a new Precept accordingly, as follows—

To the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Chiswick, in the County of Middlesex.

By Virtue of the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," and the Acts for amending the same.

The Metropolitan Board of Works do issue this their Precept under their Common Seal to you the said Overseers, and do hereby require you to pay to the Bank of London, Threadneedle-street, in the City of London, Treasurer and Banker of the said Metropolitan Board, on or before the Eighth day of June, now next ensuing, the sum of Two thousand nine hundred and eighty-five pounds nineteen shillings and sevenpence; being the sum which ought, in the judgment of the said Board, to be charged upon the said Parish, which was at, and immediately before, the determination and expiration of the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," included in the Fulham and Hammersmith separate Sewerage District, for payment of the Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities, which at, and immediately before, the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon and payable out of the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder upon the said Parish, and which Mortgages, Annuities, Securities Debts, and Liabilities were and are by virtue of the "Metropolis Management Act 1855," charged on the said Parish.

And which sum they the said Board did on the Eighth day of December, 1865, ascertain and assess upon the said Parish for such purposes, under and in pursuance of the provisions of the said Acts in that behalf.

Dated this Eighth day of December, 1865.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the said Precept be approved; that the Common Seal of the Board be affixed thereto, and that such Precept be served upon the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Chiswick.

The Seal of the Board was thereupon affixed to the said Precept.

The Clerk laid before the Board the Order of the Quarter Sessions quashing the Rate made by the person appointed by the Board, on the 21st March, 1861, for levying the 1857 Precept, on default of the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Chiswick to pay such Precept.

Resolved—That no further proceedings be taken on the Rates made respectively on the 9th June, 1858, and 21st March, 1861, on the Parish of Chiswick, situate in the former Fulham and Hammersmith separate Sewerage District, amounting to £1,107 1s. 4d., and £646 14s. 6d., respectively, on default of the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Chiswick to pay the Precepts of the Board for the years 1856 and 1857, respectively.

Adjourned.

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Edward Collinson, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Francis Healey, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.

1. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th December, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORK RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
ST. GEORGE, HANOVER SQUARE.				
Dover-street, Piccadilly . . {	80	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.
	689	New invert	,,	
Hay's-mews, Charles-street . {	600	3′9″×2′6″	,,	
	66	New invert	,,	
ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN.				
Kenilworth street, Vivian-rd., Auckland-road, and Ellesmere-road	2,540	12 inch	pipe	Flushing Shafts and Boxes to be provided at the head of each pipe sewer.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Newton—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

2. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 6th December, 1865, on letters from Colonel W. H. Sykes, Albion-street, Hyde-park, complaining of obstruction from the surplus materials from the sewerage works of the Board, and of a nuisance arising from the air-shaft in connection with the Sewer, stating the reason why the material in question had

not been earlier cleared away, but that the complaint had since been remedied, and further stating, with respect to the air-shaft complained of, that it was formed in connection with the side entrance in the usual manner.

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to Colonel Sykes to the effect of the Report, and that he be further informed, that with a view of preventing any nuisance from the ventilator, a charcoal tray will be fixed in it, but, that the Board are unable to find a more suitable spot for the ventilator, which is absolutely necessary for the safety of the men working in the sewer.

3. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 5th December, 1865, stating that the Assistant-Commissioner of Police had forwarded to the Board a Report to the effect that, on the 20th November last, James Miles, of No. 4, Ebury-square, Pimlico, (driver of cart, No. 18, belonging to Mr. W. Hearn, Contractor), had been detected in sweeping a quantity of thick mud through a grating into the Main Northumberland-street Sewer, in Cockspur-street.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Solicitor, and that he be authorized to take such steps as he may consider advisable, for dealing with the offence.

4. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
6th December, 1865.

On letter from the Plumstead District Board, urging the ventilation of a portion of the Southern Outfall Sewer through a shaft in Woolwich Arsenal.

The Plumstead District Board urge the necessity of ventilating that portion of the Outfall Sewer which passes through the Parish of Plumstead, by means of the shaft in the Royal Arsenal, in the same manner as the Woolwich portion is ventilated through the shaft in the Dockyard.

None of the tall chimneys in the Arsenal are within a moderate distance of the sewer, and it would be a great expense to make a ventilating flue, even if the authorities at the Arsenal permitted it. The object, however, might be partially attained, by their connecting the drainage of the Arsenal with the Outfall Sewer, and ventilating the drain into their furnace; and as it is highly desirable that the drainage of that place, where some 15,000 persons are employed, should be diverted from the Thames with the least possible delay, I recommend that a communication be addressed to the War Office drawing their attention to this matter, and urging them to give the necessary instructions for the works to be carried out forthwith.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved; that a communication be addressed to the War Office accordingly, and that a copy of the report be transmitted to the Plumstead District Board of Works.

5. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th December, 1865, recommending the construction of two new side entrances to the Albany-street Sewer, Regent's-park, at an estimated cost of £168, under the Contract for General Works.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the work be executed accordingly, the cost being charged to the General Account of the Board.

6. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th December, 1865, on a letter from Mr. J. Tarring, appealing against the requirements of the Vestry of Islington, in respect of the drainage of the proposed Wesleyan Chapel and School Rooms in the Caledonian-road.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Appeal Committee, for consideration.

7. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th December, 1865, stating that as the Main Drainage had enabled the Board to abolish the old Outlet of the Ravensbourne and Lee Green Sewer, the Pumping Station and premises in connection therewith, in Norman-road, Greenwich, were no longer required by the Board, setting forth the terms upon which the premises were held by the Board, and submitting a letter from Mr. Joseph Jacobs, representing about forty workmen who have formed themselves into a Company for the purpose of making boilers, girders, &c., offering to take the premises upon reasonable terms.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and Report.

8. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 7th December, 1865, on a letter from Mr. R. Keene, enclosing a copy of his Surveyor's Report, with reference to alleged damage to his house and premises, at the end of Beavor-lane, Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage works, setting forth the facts, and stating that a copy of Mr. Keene's letter, and of its enclosure, had been duly forwarded to Mr. Moxon on the 22nd ultimo, but that no reply had been received from him upon the subject.

The Engineer informed the Board he had received an intimation that Mr. Moxon, the Contractor, died last evening.

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Solicitor, to advise the Board on the matter.

9. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
8th December, 1865.

I regret to have to report that Joseph Reed, one of the Engineers employed at Crossness, was drowned on Tuesday night last, whilst engaged in gauging the depth of water in one of the culverts, at the East-end of the Engine House, leading to the sewage wells. No one saw or heard him fall into the culvert, and his body was not discovered for four hours after the time when the accident probably occurred, namely, at the commencement of his shift or turn for night duty. He was thirty-three years of age, and has left a widow and three young children. Messrs. Watt and Co. selected him, as one of their steadiest and most trustworthy men, to work their engines during the time they were bound to perform this duty under their contract, and he was retained for the Board afterwards.

As Reed lost his life in the execution of his duty, I submit it to the Board to take into consideration the sad case of his widow and orphan children. His pay was two guineas per week.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

10. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 8th December, 1865, to the effect that large quantities of water were frequently let off from the Surrey Canal at the entrance Lock into the open Earl Sewer, and that the water flowed down the Bermondsey Branch to the Pumping Station at Deptford, and added largely to the amount of work which the Pumping Engines had to perform, and recommending that a self-acting flap be fixed across the Sewer, to prevent the water from backing up further than the Deptford Lower-road, or getting into the Bermondsey Branch; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to take such steps as might be necessary to prevent the Surrey Canal Company from letting off their surplus water into the Earl Sewer.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the course recommended by the Engineer be adopted.

11. Read a Report, as follows—

TULK *v.* THE BOARD.

This Case came on for trial on Saturday last. From the mass of documentary evidence, it was felt that the question could not be disposed of by the Jury, but must go to a higher Court. It was therefore arranged that a Special Case be stated for the opinion of the Superior Court, when the construction of the Act of Parliament and the whole questions will be raised and argued.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

12. Read a letter from Mr. J. H. F. Lewis, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Strand District, dated 18th November, 1865, forwarding copy of a Resolution of the District Board, requesting the formal consent of this Board to the widening, by them, of a portion of Carey-street, Chancery-lane. Whereupon it was resolved and ordered, as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Strand District are desirous to widen, alter and improve the public street or way, called Carey-street, being within the said Strand District, for the purpose of facilitating the passage and traffic therein, by throwing into the public street or way a piece of vacant ground, 142 feet 10 inches long, by from 15 to 16 feet 5 inches wide, or thereabouts, (formerly the site of the houses No. 99, Chancery-lane, and No. 63, Carey-street, and of the messuage next adjoining, being the corner of Carey-street and Bell-yard), as shown upon the Plan hereto annexed, coloured brown. And whereas, the said Board of Works for the Strand District have entered into a Contract with the Equity and Law Life Assurance Society for the purchase of the said site, together with the messuage or tenement and premises thereto adjoining, being No. 100, Chancery-lane, (in the said Plan, hereto annexed, coloured pink), for the sum of £17,000. And whereas, partly by contributions agreed to be made towards the said Improvement of the said public street or way, and partly by a proposed sale to the Incorporated Law Society, of the said messuage and premises, No. 100 Chancery-lane, which is not required for the said Improvement, the said Board of Works for the Strand District, will find and provide the whole of the said purchase money of £17,000, and will not require to raise a greater sum than £500 out of the Rates of the said Strand District, for the purpose of paving and completing the improvement of the said public way. And whereas, the said Board of Works for the Strand District have, in pursuance of and compliance with "The Metropolis Management Amendment Act, 1862," applied to the Metropolitan Board of Works for their consent, in writing, to the said widening, alteration and improvement of the said public street or way. Now, the Metropolitan Board of Works do hereby, pursuant to and in compliance with the said Act, and so far as they can by Law do so, give their consent in writing, under their Common Seal, to the said Board of Works for the Strand District, to widen, alter, and improve the said public way, called Carey-street, in manner hereinbefore mentioned.

Resolved—That the Chairman be requested and authorized to affix the Common Seal of the Board to a copy of the foregoing Order, and that the same be transmitted to the Board of Works for the Strand District.

13. Read a Report by the Solicitor, submitting the Gazette of last Friday, showing the Bankruptcy of Mr. Moxon, and stating his opinion that it would be desirable to refer all matters connected with the Contractor to the Main Drainage Committee, and that the

Engineer should be instructed to have all accounts made up, and the exact position of Mr. Moxon ascertained with reference to the Board, in order that it might be determined by that Committee whether any proof should be tendered, or other claim made with reference to the Sureties and otherwise.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration, and that they be authorized to take such steps with reference thereto as they may deem necessary; and that the Engineer have the accounts made up as suggested, and report to that Committee as to the exact position of Mr. Moxon with reference to the Board.

14. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Jury Precept, in the matter of the claim of Mr. Henry William Goff and wife, and Mr. Joseph Smith, for alleged damage to their premises, No. 2, Brunton-place, Commercial-road East, by the execution of the works of the Northern Low Level Sewer.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Jury Precept; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, the Contractor for the above-mentioned works, dated 8th December, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board, for his own Solicitors to conduct the proceedings in the above matter, and undertaking to indemnify the Board against all costs in connection therewith.

Resolved—That the request be complied with.

15. The Solicitor reported, that the Accountant had completed the transfer to the Account of the Board of the Loan of £100,000, for the purposes of the Thames Embankment, South, and of the Loan of £60,000 for the purposes of the Southwark Park Act.

16. The Solicitor reported with reference to Saville House, that great difficulty had arisen in getting the instructions settled by the Magistrate; that that gentleman would, however, give his own instructions.

17. Mr. Silas Taylor, pursuant to notice, inquired when it was probable that the sum of £18,000, to be paid by the Metropolitan Railway Company, in respect of the damage done to the Fleet Sewer, would be received by the Board, and the amount placed to the credit of the several Parishes entitled to the same?

In answer to the question, the Solicitor stated that it would wholly depend upon the amount of opposition, and the course to be taken by the Company.

The Solicitor reported that the taxation of the costs in the Case was not quite completed, and requested the instructions of the Board as to proceeding against the Company, and retaining Counsel for the Board.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do proceed against the Company as soon as possible, and that he be authorized to make the best arrangement he can with reference to retaining Counsel on behalf of the Board.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board the Contract with Mr. J. W. Brooker, for the erection of Hoards, Fans, &c., for the line of thoroughfare from Westminster-bridge to the Mansion House, duly executed by the Contractor.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Contract; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

19. The Solicitor reported that it might be necessary for the Board to extend the time for making the Vesting Order, under the Gardens in Towns Act, with regard to Leicester-square.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do, at the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, submit a form of Order for the above-named purpose, in order that the Common Seal of the Board may be affixed thereto.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board a List of 450 Plans, deposited at the Private Bill Office of the House of Commons, for Session 1866.

Resolved—That the Engineer and Superintending Architect do report on such of the proposed schemes as affect the Metropolis.

21. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, Contractor, dated 27th November, 1865, with reference to the application of Mr. Andrews for £1 10s., for repairs to the water pipes of the houses, Nos. 5, 6, 7, and 8, Portland-place, St. Mark's-road, denying his liability.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do forward a copy of Mr. Webster's letter to Mr. Andrews.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Horton, Son, and Kendrick, dated 30th November, 1865, requesting the Board to grant them a long lease of a triangular piece of land, which they held under the Board, adjoining the Duffield Sewer, and bounded by their property in Cottage-row, Bermondsey-wall.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

23. Read a Report, as follows—

Solicitor's Department. Spring Gardens,
8th December, 1865.

Board's Four Bills.

Since the Committee met, I have had an opportunity to go over the Plans as deposited in the Private Bill Office with the Officers. The examination suggests several alterations which will be necessary in the prints of the Bill, and I recommend that I submit the additions to the Streets Committee, that they may approve the needful additions.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved—That the Solicitor do submit the additions to the said Bills to the Streets Committee, for their approval.

24. The Solicitor laid before the Board an instrument in writing, in duplicate, enlarging the time until the 6th of March now next, for the Umpire to make his Award in the Arbitration between the Board and Messrs. Baker and Fielder, with reference to their claim in respect of their warehouses and premises in Palace-road, Lambeth, required for the Thames Embankment South.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said instrument and duplicate; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

25. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 23rd November, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Gummow, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a stable, coach-house, harness-room, and hay-store, in the garden of the house occupied by Mr. Coombs, at the corner of Devonshire and Wandsworth-roads, Lambeth, as shown on the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be not granted.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. George A. Dunnage, on behalf of Messrs. Virtue and Co., for the consent of the Board to the erection of buildings and shops on the fore-courts of the premises, No. 294, City-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the further consideration of the application be adjourned.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Cole, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of "The Albion" beer-shop, in Long Lane, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be not granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr J. W. Butler, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a covered way over the door-steps and fore-court of the house, No. 31, Carlton-hill East, Marylebone, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the application be granted, on condition that the portion of the covered-way from the street to the commencement of the door-steps be open at the sides; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Bullock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, No. 266, 268, and 270, Vauxhall Bridge-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865. on the application of Mr. George Jones, on behalf of Mr. Castle, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court or area of his house, in Grote's-buildings, Blackheath, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. John Scott, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a greenhouse in the garden of a house in the Balham High-road, near the Balham Railway Station, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be granted, on condition that no part of the roof of the greenhouse be raised within 18 inches of the top of the wall next the public way; that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th December, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Colls and Son, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows and wooden eaves facia to a house in Croxted-road, Dulwich, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 29th November, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. J. Salmon, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a cart-shed at his premises in Drummond-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that iron columns, or brick piers, be used at the front and ends of the shed, instead of wooden posts, and that the same be fixed to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. L. Henderson, for the approval by the Board of the materials and construction of a photographer's studio, at the rear of his premises, No. 19, Surrey-terrace, Lewisham-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. R. Patrick, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at No. 325, High-street, Wapping.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Allport, on behalf of Mr. C. Herring, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four roads abutting Southward upon Park-road, near the Norwood Cemetery, one being a continuation of Rosendale-road, and of the names "Rosendale Grove East," "Rosendale Grove West," and "Rosendale Grove South," for the other three roads.

Resolved—That the application be granted.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th December, 1865, on the letters from Mr. Robert Dew and Mr. William Pettitt, calling attention to the fact of an approach to three houses, recently erected at the rear of the "Bricklayers' Arms" public house, in Hamilton-road, Lower Norwood, being only 9 feet wide, as shown upon the Plan.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor, and

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th December, 1865, on letter from Messrs. Poulter and Ryley, calling attention to the inconvenience arising from the irregular numbering of the houses, and the want of names to streets, at Lee, stating that the streets in and about Lee were in a very incomplete state, and that the naming and numbering could not at present be satisfactorily arranged, and recommending that

the subject should be referred to the Building Act Committee, to deal with the various streets, as completed.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the Report be approved, and that the subject be accordingly referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee.

Resolved—That a copy of the Superintending Architect's Report be sent to the applicants, for their information.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Corrie, for the re-numbering of the houses in Leinster-square, Paddington.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Harris—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th December, 1865, on the application of Messrs. D. Smith, Son, and Oakley, for the approval by the Board of the name "Kidbrooke-park" for a new road at Plumstead, leading from Shooter's Hill-road to Kidbrooke Manor, the Plan for the formation of which was approved by the Board on the 13th October last, (No. 28).

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the letter of Mr. Thomas Price, on behalf of the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, relative to the unlicensed storage of Petroleum in that locality, and requesting the Board to enforce the law.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the matter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 8th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Browne, on behalf of Mr. Meetcham, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at his premises, No. 50, King-street, Westminster.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the iron column beneath the stone corbel supporting the brick-work, be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law, and that the corbel be well tailed into the walls, to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 7th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. John T. Lepard, on behalf of Mr. Horner, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a verandah at the rear of his house at Herne Hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 5th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Arthur Harston, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft at "Cook's Pottery," Bermondsey-wall.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

45. The Board considered further the application of the Wandsworth District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their borrowing the following sums, viz—

£28,000 for defraying the expenses of sewerage works in the Parish of Clapham.

£10,000 for defraying the expenses of sewerage works in the Parish of Putney.

And it was resolved and ordered, as follows—

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Parliament, passed in the 19th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the sum of £28,000 sterling, such loan to be for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the construction and execution of certain sewerage works in the Parish of Clapham, within the said District; and that the said sum of £28,000, together with the interest for the same, should be secured by a mortgage of the Rates leviable for that purpose and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, within the said Parish of Clapham. And whereas, this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to the Board that it is fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said District Board of Works for the execution of the said works: Now, therefore, it is ordered that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the said sum of £28,000, by a mortgage of the Rates as hereinbefore mentioned, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the said principal sum to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest to be paid half-yearly.

Whereas, the Board of Works for the Wandsworth District, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Act of Parliament passed in the 19th year of the reign of Her Majesty Queen Victoria, intituled "An Act for the better Local Management of the Metropolis," have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the sum of £10,000 sterling, such loan to be for the purpose of defraying the expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the construction and execution of certain sewerage works in the Parish of Putney, within the said District; and that the said sum of £10,000, together with the interest for the same, should be secured by a mortgage of the Rates leviable for that purpose, and applicable thereto, according to the provisions of the said Act, within the said Parish of Putney. And whereas, this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to the Board that it is fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said District Board of Works, for the execution of the said works: Now, therefore, it is ordered that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be, and the same is hereby given, to the borrowing by the said District Board of the said sum of £10,000, by a mortgage of the Rates as hereinbefore mentioned, at a rate of interest not exceeding £5 per centum per annum, the said principal sum to be repaid by thirty equal annual instalments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk reported that the Wandsworth District Board had requested to be supplied with copies, in duplicate, of each of the foregoing Orders; and he laid before the Board copies of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Copy Orders and duplicates, and that the same be transmitted to the Wandsworth District Board of Works; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

46. The Clerk reported that the Wandsworth District Board of Works had requested to be furnished with a duplicate copy of the Order of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 17), sanctioning the loan of the sums of £45,000 and £4,000, for the execution of sewerage works in the Parishes of Battersea and Wandsworth; and he laid before the Board a copy of the Order in question.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the Wandsworth District Board of Works; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

47. The Clerk laid before the Board copies of the Orders of the Board of the 10th November last, (No. 5), for the re-naming and re-numbering of the following streets and places, together with copies of the Plans referred to in such Orders, viz.—

Penton-place, &c., Newington.
Albert-street, &c., do.
Walworth-road, do.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copies of Orders and Plans, respectively; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

48. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. C. F. Kirkman, dated 30th November, 1865, submitting a proposal for a temporary concession of the sewage on both sides of the Thames, until the completion of the projected conduits.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

49. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Davis, Vestry Clerk, Shoreditch, dated 4th December, 1865, stating that the sum of £4,000, being the second portion of the loan of £22,000, sanctioned by the Board on the 5th May last, (No. 3), for the erection of a Vestry Hall for the Parish, was paid to the account of the Vestry on the 29th November last.

50. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Edward Lyon, dated 2nd December, 1865, calling the attention of the Board to the want of paving and drainage in the Vivian and Auckland-roads, Bethnal Green.

Resolved—That the said letter be forwarded to the Vestry of Bethnal Green; and that the applicant be informed the subject is one for the consideration of that Vestry, to whom his letter has accordingly been transmitted.

51. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Hicks, Treasurer of St. Thomas's Hospital, dated 6th December, 1865, requesting that, as the Plans and details for the new Hospital had now been definitively approved by the proper authorities, the Board would reconsider the line of the new street authorized by the Thames Embankment Amendment Act, 1864, and expressing his willingness, and that of the Building Committee of the Hospital, to attend any conference on the subject.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, with power to deal with the same.

52. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Hargrove, Fowler, and Blunt, dated 8th December, 1865, forwarding a notice of an intended application to Parliament for

an Act to authorize the interception and diversion from the River Thames of the sewage of the towns of Oxford, Abingdon, Reading, Windsor, Kingston, Twickenham, Richmond, Isleworth, and Brentford, for the purpose of irrigation, together with a copy of the deposited Plans, and an index map, shewing the localities and position of the intended works of the Company, and expressing a hope that the undertaking might meet with the approval and moral support of the Board.

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

Resolved—That the Clerk do acknowledge the receipt of the communication, and convey the thanks of the Board to Messrs. Hargrove, Fowler, and Blunt, for the same.

53. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Lahee, Vestry Clerk of Chelsea, dated 7th December, 1865, calling the attention of the Board to the omission of certain words from the notice in the "London Gazette," respecting the Chelsea Embankment, and to a mistake in the Plan and notice describing a portion of the Chelsea Hospital grounds as being in the Parish of Kensington, and requesting that such omission and mistake might be rectified.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Solicitor, for attention.

54. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. T. B. Chappell, Vestry Clerk, St. George, Hanover-square, dated 8th December, 1865, forwarding copy of a Resolution passed by the Vestry at their Meeting on the 7th instant, as follows—

> Resolved—That a copy of the following Resolution, passed by the Vestry on the 15th June last, be forthwith forwarded to the Metropolitan Board of Works, viz.—
>
> "That the Vestry Clerk inform the Vestry of St. James's that, in the opinion of this "Vestry, the paving, lighting, cleansing, &c., of such parts of Piccadilly and St. "James's-street as are in the two Parishes, would be best effected by being placed "under one management, by an Order of the Metropolitan Board of Works."

Resolved—That the communication be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

55. The Clerk laid before the Board letters from Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, Contractors for the Printing required by the Board, stating that the cost of printing 2,000 extra copies of the Annual Report would be at the rate of 2s. 6d. each copy, and that of printing 2,000 extra copies of the Annual Account in Abstract, at the rate of 6d each copy.

56. The following Notice of Motion was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next, viz.—

By Mr. Silas Taylor, (No. 261)—As to supplying each of the Members of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis, with a copy of the Annual Report of the proceedings of the Board for the year 1864-5.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 15th instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 45.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **15th** day of **December,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

Robert Taylor, Esq.	Denis M'Donnell, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
Henry Lowman Taylor, Esq.	James Ebenezer Saunders, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
John Savage, Esq.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Philip Hemery Le Breton, Esq.	Major William Lyon.	William Clark, Esq.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	Borlase Hill Adams, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.	Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.
Charles Harris, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	James Pew, Esq.	
	Edward Rider Cook, Esq.	

1. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Board held on the 8th December instant were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meetings, respectively.

2. Read a letter, as follows—

St. Leonard, Shoreditch. Vestry Offices, 37, Hoxton-square, N., 13th December, 1865.

Dear Sir,

I am instructed by the Vestry of this Parish to inform you that, at a Meeting of the Vestry, held last evening, William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq., of No. 99, Kingsland-road, was appointed as one of the Representatives of this Parish at the Metropolitan Board of Works, in the place and stead of Edward Shepherd, Esq., who has resigned.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) W. G. DAVIS,
Vestry Clerk.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works,
Spring Gardens, S.W.

3. Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor presented a Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that they had negotiated for the purchase of the premises, No. 34, Throgmorton-street, for the sum of £1,400 (independent of professional expenses), with a view to the frontage being set back to the line shown on the Plan accompanying the Memorial, and requesting the Board to contribute towards the cost.

It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Saunders, and

Resolved—That the Memorial be referred to the Works and Improvements Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Superintending Architect do report thereon to that Committee.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,

11th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained that the Cash Account is as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 9th December, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 9th December, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	6,673 10 11	55,000 0 0	61,673 10 11	592 10 2	1,004 5 3	1,596 15 5
Covent Garden Approach	1,049 5 9	.....	1,049 5 9	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	572 1 6	22,000 0 0	22,572 1 6	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	81 4 6	.....	81 4 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	280 8 4	.....	280 8 4	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	1,807 16 4	12,000 0 0	13,807 16 4	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
Southwark Park	.....	60,000 0 0	60,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....
£	10,464 7 4	149,000 0 0	159,464 7 4	597 10 2	1,009 5 3	1,606 15 5
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	5,229 14 3	.....	5,229 14 3	86 10 0	2,903 10 0	2,990 0 0
Thames Embankment (North)	69,796 8 7	.....	69,796 8 7	107 5 8	9,161 0 5	9,268 6 1
Southern Embankment	100,000 0 0	.....	100,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....
£	185,490 10 2	149,000 0 0	334,490 10 2	791 5 10	13,073 15 8	13,865 1 6

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of Sums received, which they now beg to submit—

SUMS RECEIVED between 25th November and 9th December, 1865—

General Account.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Rates—		
Acton - - - - - -	242 0 0	
Improvement Rates, &c. - - - - -	55 5 6	
Fees, &c., under Metropolitan Buildings Act - - -	16 15 0	
Fees under Sale of Gas Acts - - - -	99 0 6	
		413 1 0
Carried forward -		£413 1 0

	£	s.	d.
Brought forward -	413	1	0
Covent Garden Approach.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	33	15	0
Southwark and Westminster Communication.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	501	19	10
Victoria Park Approach.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	5	5	0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.			
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square - - - - - -	1,572	0	0
Southwark Park.			
Loan from Bank of England - - - - - -	60,000	0	0
Thames Embankment (North).			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - - - -	243	17	7
Southern Embankment.			
Loan from Commissioners for Reduction of National Debt - - -	100,000	0	0
	£162,769	18	5

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the various Principal Officers for the payments specified in the annexed Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the Sums therein specified, amounting to £43,001 14s. 6d., be paid.

Your Committee have directed their attention to the state of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £25,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

That the Governor and Company of the Bank of England be requested to give directions for a further advance to this Board of £50,000, for the purposes of the Main Drainage, agreeably to the provisions of the Agreement between the Board and the Bank.

Your Committee have ascertained that the Drawing Account for the Southern Embankment is now open at the Bank of England, and it is therefore necessary that the sums which have been advanced on that Account out of the Thames Embankment (North) Account, and which amount to £10,205 8s. 10d., should be repaid; they accordingly recommend—

That a Cheque for that amount be drawn on the Southern Embankment Account, and be paid to the credit of the Thames Embankment (North) Account.

In pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 49), your Committee have had under consideration the amount of remuneration which should be paid to Mr. Compton, of the Solicitor's Department, for the Index which he has prepared to the Acts of Parliament relating to the Board, which are not in Mr. Woolrych's volume. In compliance with your Resolution the Index has been printed, and sent round to each Member of your Honorable Board. Your Committee have conferred with the Solicitor on the subject, and they have ascertained that the work has been entirely done after Mr. Compton's office hours, extending over a considerable period. In their opinion £50 would be a fair remuneration for the amount of work performed, and they recommend—

That a Cheque for that amount be drawn and paid to Mr. Compton.

Your Committee have further to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 1st instant, (No. 26), they have considered the request of the Vestry of Camberwell, that the Board would forego the taxed costs of the Appeal by the Vestry against the amount apportioned by the Board to that Parish, in respect of the Loan from the Rock Life Assurance Office to the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers. Your Committee have given careful consideration to this question, and have arrived at the conclusion that the Board have no power, legally, to comply with the wishes of the Vestry in the matter.

Your Committee have had under consideration the subject of the Precepts for the ordinary expenses of the Board for the coming year, which it will be necessary to issue in the first week in January, and the amount that will have to be provided for meeting such expenses. They have had before them the estimates of the sums that will probably be required for the various Departments, which they have carefully examined, and have directed the same to be printed and circulated amongst the Members of the Board. Your Committee beg to submit the Estimates for the approval of your Honorable Board, and recommend—

That instructions be given to the Accountant to apportion the several amounts contained therein, amongst the several Parishes and parts liable thereto, according to the respective County Rates, and other rentals.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT—

General Account.

		£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
THIRST, E., Contractor—							
(6607)	Further on account of Contract Works, Ranelagh Sewer and Branch, (No. 39) - - -	2,000	0	0			
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—							
(6608)	For Premises used for Main Drainage purposes -	10	5	0			
WEEKLY WAGES—							
(6609)	Week ending 29th November, 1865 - £144 18 4						
	,, 6th December, ,, - 140 1 2						
		284	19	6			
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—							
(6610)	Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865 - £98 10 7						
	Stamps - - - - 8 15 0						
		107	5	7			
FRESHFIELDS AND NEWMAN—							
(6611)	Solicitors' Costs, *re* London, Chatham and Dover Railway Company - - - - -	3	3	0			
MC DOUGALL, J., Surveyor—							
(6612)	Travelling and other Expenses for self and chainmen, in taking levels and setting out work at Abbey Mills, Thames Embankment, &c., November, 1865	5	15	0			
	Carried forward - -	£2,411	8	1	-	-	-

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward	- -	2,411 8 1	- - -
Reeves and Turner—				
(6613)	Bill for Law Books, December, 1865	- -	10 12 0	
Abbott, Barton and Co.—				
(6614)	Bills for Advertisements, &c.—			
	Kensington Improvement - -	£52 18 0		
	Park Lane Improvement - -	36 8 0		
	Locomotives Act - -	29 8 8		
	Address to Lady Palmerston -	12 13 9		
	Approaches to Thames Embankment -	106 10 6		
	Chelsea Embankment - -	70 1 6		
			308 0 5	
Thwaites, Sir John, Chairman—				
(6615)	One Quarter's Salary, due Christmas, 1865	- -	500 0 0	
Officers' Salaries, &c., Quarter ending Christmas, 1865—				
	(*Quarterly List.*)			
(6616)	Pollard, J., Clerk of the Board -	£200 0 0		
(6617)	Cresy, E., Principal Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department - -	118 15 0		
(6618)	Hughes, E., Accountant - -	150 0 0		
(6619)	Brune, F. D., 1st Clerk, Accountant's Department - - -	65 0 0		
(6620)	Bazalgette, J. W., Engineer - -	526 7 4		
(6621)	Lovick, T., Assistant Engineer -	235 16 5		
(6622)	Grant, J., ditto - -	235 16 5		
(6623)	Cooper, E., ditto - -	235 16 5		
(6624)	Campion, G., Engineer's Accountant -	60 0 0		
(6625)	Morley, H. R., 3rd Clerk, Engineer's Department - - -	45 0 0		
(6626)	Gunyon, T., Superintending Draughtsman	100 0 0		
(6627)	Walker, W., Clerk of Works - -	40 19 0		
(6628)	Lloyd, J. T., ditto - -	40 19 0		
(6629)	Fry, T. W., ditto - -	40 19 0		
(6630)	Garnham, W., ditto - -	40 19 0		
(6631)	Bennett, J., Clerk of Works - -	40 19 0		
(6632)	Vulliamy, G., Superintending Architect -	250 0 0		
(6633)	Goddard, F. W., Assistant Clerk, Superintending Architect's Department -	75 0 0		
(6634)	Hart, H., Surveyor, ditto -	75 0 0		
(6635)	Smith, W. W., Solicitor - -	312 10 0		
(6636)	Tayler, W., Assistant Clerk, Solicitor's Department - - -	50 0 0		
(6637)	Airey, H., Gas Meter Inspector -	50 0 0		
(6638)	Dethridge, G., ditto -	50 0 0		
(6639)	Mills, G., ditto -	50 0 0		
(6640)	Gotto, J., Bailiff - - -	37 10 0		
(6641)	Boggis, G. E., and Wife, Housekeeper -	45 0 0		
			3,172 6 7	
	(*Monthly List*) *Balances.*			
	Wakefield, J. E., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department - - -	£20 0 0		
	Pocock, C. F. do. do.	20 0 0		
	W. P. Andrews, do. do.	18 6 8		
	De la Hooke, H. do. do.	12 10 0		
	Humphrey, J. C. do. do.	10 0 0		
	Carried forward -	£80 16 8	6,402 7 1	- - -

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s.
Brought forward -	80 16 8	6,402 7 1	- - -
Estlin, J., Assistant Clerk, Clerk's Department	9 3 4		
Bevan, N. do. do.	9 3 4		
Link, G. E. do. do.	8 15 0		
Link, W. do. do.	7 10 0		
Edwards, H., 2nd Clerk, Accountant's Department - - -	13 2 6		
Whitworth, E., 3rd Clerk do.	10 8 4		
Hall, W. C., Assistant Clerk do.	14 15 0		
Doggett, E., Jun. ditto do.	5 13 4		
Coggin, T., Clerk of Rates and Assessments	25 0 0		
Conquest, W., 1st Clerk, Engineer's Department - - - -	20 0 0		
Gibson, T., 2nd do. do.	20 0 0		
Mant, F. W., Assistant ,, do.	8 6 8		
McLauchlan, D. J., Draughtsman do. -	20 0 0		
Groves, W. do. do. -	16 13 4		
Hunter, R. J. do. do. -	16 2 6		
McDougall, J., Surveyor do. -	14 17 6		
Crook, W., Draughtsman do. -	14 17 6		
Rumble, R. A. do. do. -	14 5 6		
Crane, W. do. do. -	13 12 6		
Lemon, J. do. do. -	13 12 6		
Waldeck, J. F. do. do. -	13 12 6		
Chellingworth, T. T. do. do. -	13 12 6		
(6642) Bell, J. do. do. -	11 5 0		
Groves, S. do. do. -	11 5 0		
Dickins, C., Assistant Clerk do. -	5 6 8		
Anderson, C., Clerk of Works do. -	13 13 0		
Cobb, W., Flushing Inspector do. -	8 6 8		
Porter, G. do. do. -	8 6 8		
Lovegrove, J. do. do. -	8 6 8		
Wilkins, J. W. do. do. -	8 6 8		
Boulton, T., Sluicekeeper do. -	8 6 8		
Fernley, G. do. do. -	4 13 4		
Mortlock, J. J. do. do. -	2 18 4		
Moorcroft, J. do. do. -	6 13 4		
Moorcroft, W. do. do. -	5 8 4		
Newall, W., Principal Clerk, Superintending Architect's Department - -	20 16 8		
Britton, T. A., Surveyor do.	16 13 4		
Norwood, C. Y., Draughtsman do.	10 8 4		
Jennings, H., Assistant Clerk do.	16 13 4		
Pape, J. do. do.	12 10 0		
White, C. W. do. do.	10 8 4		
Chapman, W. do. do.	10 6 8		
Welsh, R. do. do.	9 3 4		
Knight, W. H. do. do.	9 10 0		
Compton, C. H. do. Solicitor's Department - - -	37 10 0		
Hogarth, R. do. do.	25 0 0		
Fry, C. do. do.	15 0 0		
Hertslet, L. F. do. do.	8 6 8		
Holland, T., Record Room Keeper do.	9 3 4		
		698 6 10	
Carried forward - -		£7,100 13 11	- - -

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward - -	7,100 13 11	- - -
	(*Sluice-keepers' List.*)		
(6643)	Kelly, J., Sluice-keeper - - £2 10 0		
	Pikesley, J. do. - - 10 0 0		
	Spake, J., do. - - 16 5 0		
	Broughton, W. A. do. - - 5 0 0		
	Lester, G., do. - - 16 5 0		
		50 0 0	
OFFICERS' RETIRING ALLOWANCES, Quarter ending Christmas, 1865—			
	(*Granted by the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.*)		
(6644)	Budd, B., late Laborer in Trust - £13 6 8		
(6645)	Roe, J., ,, Surveyor - - 50 0 0		
(6646)	Unwin, J. W., ,, Clerk - . 30 0 0		
(6647)	Sweetlove, J., ,, Wallreve - - 5 12 0		
		98 18 8	
COMPENSATION ALLOWANCES, Quarter ending Christmas, 1865—			
	(Granted by the Board)		
	Officers of late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers.		
(6648)	Taylor, G., late Collector - £28 2 6		
(6649)	Quarrell, J., ,, Clerk of Works - 19 5 11		
(6650)	Muller, D. G., ,, Collector - 11 17 6		
(6651)	Head, T., ,, do. - 14 16 3		
(6652)	Phillips, B., ,, do. - 18 10 0		
(6653)	Pollard, Ann ,, Housekeeper - 12 10 0		
(6654)	Barnett, H., ,, Collector - - 7 13 9		
(6655)	Hopwood, R., ,, District Clerk - 13 0 5		
(6656)	Dowley, J. H., ,, AssistantClerk - 6 16 6		
(6657)	Saywell, R., ,, Collector - - 6 2 6		
		138 15 4	
	Officers of the late Metropolitan Buildings Office.		
(6658)	Lower, E. W., late Surveyor - - £41 13 4		
(6659)	Benson, W., ,, Surveying Clerk - 22 10 0		
(6660)	Bursell, W. F., ,, Lithographer - 13 0 0		
(6661)	Squires, G. H., ,, Extra Clerk, &c. - 7 11 6		
(6662)	Brooks, J., ,, Office Keeper, &c. - 6 5 0		
		90 19 10	
HATTON, G. S., late Accountant—			
(6663)	One Quarter's Retiring Allowance, due Christmas, 1865 -	62 10 0	
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—			
(6664)	November, 1865 - - - - -	6 9 9	
BANK OF ENGLAND—			
(6665)	Half-Year's Interest on Loan of £135,000, (less tax) due 30th December, 1865 £2,986 17 6		
(6666)	First Instalment in Repayment of the above Loan, due 30th December, 1865 13,500 0 0		
		16,486 17 6	
COWAN, D.—			
(6667)	Bill for Repairs to Hot Water Apparatus, at Gas Meter Testing House, Westminster, December, 1863, to May, 1864 - - - -	13 17 9	
CHARTERED GAS LIGHT AND COKE COMPANY—			
(6668)	Supply of Gas at Meter Testing House, Westminster, July to October, 1865 - - -	3 0 4	
	Carried forward - -	£24,052 3 1	- - -

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	24,052 3 1	- - -
AIREY, H., Gas Meter Inspector—		
(6669) Bill for Petty Disbursements, October and November, 1865 - - - - - -	6 5 8	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—		
(6670) November, 1865 - - - -	109 5 6	
HUGHES, E., Accountant—		
(6671) Amount paid for Expenses in depositing Plans, &c. -	18 8 6	
		24,186 2 9
Covent Garden Approach.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(96) Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865 - - -	0 13 0	
Stamps - - - - -	7 15 0	
		8 8 0
Southwark and Westminster Communication.		
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(318) Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865 - - -	1 13 3	
Stamps - - - - -	8 5 6	
		9 18 9
Main Drainage Rate Collection.		
COLLECTORS' POUNDAGE—		
(139) November, 1865 - - - - - - -		77 4 3
Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—		
(1927) Further on account of Northern Low Level Sewer, (No. 23)	10,238 0 0	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(1928) Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865 £7 14 11		
Stamps - - - - 8 5 0		
	15 19 11	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(1929) Week ending 29th November, 1865 - £79 3 4		
,, 6th December, ,, - - 84 5 4		
	163 8 8	
LESLIE, G.—		
(1930) Compensation in *re* Beavor Street, Hammersmith -	30 0 0	
LESLIE, L. J. AND G.—		
(1931) Compensation *in re* Hammersmith Upper Mall -	150 0 0	
		10,597 8 7
Thames Embankment (North.)		
RITSON, A. W., AND Co., Contractors—		
(785) Further on account of Contract No. 2, including Plant and Materials - - - - -	7,751 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(786) Week ending 29th November, 1865 - £51 0 0		
,, 6th December, ,, - 42 9 1		
	93 9 1	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—		
(787) Bill for Lithography, October, 1865 - - -	5 9 6	
BOWER, D., Collector—		
(788) Poor and other Rates, for property in Cannon Row, Westminster - - - -	19 6 2	
Carried forward - -	£7,869 4 9	34,879 2 4

			£ s. d.	£ s. d.
	Brought forward - - - - -		7,869 4 9	34,879 2 4
SHORMAN, J. H., Collector—				
(789)	House Tax for No. 8, Cannon Row, Westminster -		4 10 0	
ABBOTT, BARTON, AND CO.—				
(790)	Bill for Advertisements for Tenders for Hoarding, &c. - - -	£7 5 8		
	Ditto (New Street to Mansion House)	7 5 8		
			14 11 4	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—				
(791)	Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865, (New Street to Mansion House) - -	£8 18 4		
	Stamps - - -	55 5 6		
			64 3 10	
LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY—				
(792)	Insurance of Premises, 20 and 21, Poultry - -		20 0 0	
PETTY CASH PAYMENTS—				
(793)	October and November, 1865 - - -		42 4 3	
SUNDRY RATES AND TAXES—				
	For Property taken for New Street to Mansion House—			
(794)	Fox, N., Collector - -	£13 4 1		
	Warwick, R. E., Overseer - -	28 19 8		
	Archer, W. T., Collector - -	12 7 6		
	Newbon, T., Vestry Clerk - -	33 15 6		
			88 6 9	
HODGSON AND SON, Short-hand Writers—				
(795)	Bill for Notes, (New Street to Mansion House)—			
	Re Kendall *v.* Rigby -	£7 12 8		
	,, Edwards - -	2 2 0		
			9 14 8	
				8,112 15 7
	Southern Embankment.			
WEEKLY WAGES—				
(2)	Week ending 29th November, 1865, -	£4 4 0		
	,, 6th December, ,, -	4 4 0		
			8 8 0	
HARRISON, W., Law Stationer—				
(3)	Bill for Fair Copying, October, 1865 - - -		1 8 7	
				9 16 7
				£ 43,001 14 6

Certified,
(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,
(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
CYRUS LEGG.
F. HEALEY.
ROBERT TAYLOR.
G. B. RICHARDSON.

ESTIMATE OF THE SUMS PROPOSED TO BE RAISED BY THE BOARD FOR THE YEAR 1866, AND REFERRED TO IN THE REPORT.

(As approved by the Finance Committee.)

GENERAL SUMMARY.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
EXPENSES OF THE BOARD—			
SEWERAGE AND DRAINAGE—			
Sums required for Works (for Details see Paper A)	... ...	40,200 0 0	
Working Expenses of Pumping Stations at Deptford, Crossness, &c. (see Paper A)...	... ...	22,000 0 0	
Rent and Taxes for St. George's Wharf, and other Premises occupied by the Board ...	... ...	350 0 0	
			62,550 0 0
METROPOLIS IMPROVEMENTS—			
Contributions by the Board to Minor Improvements (see Paper B)	... ...	... ...	15,000 0 0
GENERAL PURPOSES—			
Salaries, Wages, &c., including ordinary Law and Parliamentary Expenses (less amount chargeable to Special Accounts)	... ...	13,087 0 0	
Printing, Stationery, Lithography, Mathematical Instruments, Maps, Plans, &c., (less amount chargeable to Special Accounts) ...	... ...	1,800 0 0	
Rent, Taxes, Office Repairs and Expenses, Postage and Petty Incidentals (less amount chargeable to Special Accounts)	... ...	1,300 0 0	
			16,187 0 0
EXPENSES UNDER SALE OF GAS ACTS (for Details see Paper C)	... ...	... ...	830 0 0
EXPENSES UNDER THE METROPOLITAN HOUSELESS POOR ACT	... ...	... ...	10,000 0 0
			104,567 0 0
REPAYMENT OF LOANS AND INTEREST ON MORTGAGE DEBTS OF THE BOARD—			
12th Instalment and Interest on £63,000, Balance of Loan of £140,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society	... ...	9,835 0 0	
Amount to be raised towards Repayment of Loan of £300,000 from Bank of England	6,000 0 0		
Interest on the above Loan	13,500 0 0		
3rd Instalment and Interest on Balance of Loan of £34,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society	4,488 0 0		
2nd Instalment and Interest on Balance of £50,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance	3,804 3 4		
1st Instalment and Interest on Loan of £616,000 from Bank of England for the following Improvements, viz. : — New Street, Whitechapel; Middle Row, Holborn; Southwark Park; and Repairing and Covering Main Sewers	15,548 6 8		
		43,340 10 0	
			53,175 10 0
COMPENSATION ALLOWANCES TO LATE OFFICERS.	... ...	... ...	1,080 19 2
Carried forward ...	... ...	... ...	158,823 9 2

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward ...	... ...	... ...	158,823 9 2
MORTGAGE DEBTS, &c., OF LATE METROPOLITAN COMMISSIONERS OF SEWERS—			
Amount to meet Repayment of Principal ...	... ...	13,500 0 0	
Interest on Loans, and Annuities	... ...	6,046 4 8	19,246 4 8
			178,369 13 10
Deduct approximate Surplus from 1865 ...	... ...	... ...	8,000 0 0
			£170,369 13 10

Office, Spring Gardens, S.W.,
11th December, 1865.

(Signed) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

(A.)

APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE OF THE AMOUNT WHICH WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THE EXECUTION OF SEWERAGE WORKS DURING THE YEAR 1866, EXCLUSIVE OF MAIN DRAINAGE AND OTHER SPECIAL ACCOUNT WORKS, &c.

Construction	£12,150 0 0	
Repairs	9,000 0 0	
Cleansing	13,500 0 0	
Incidentals	4,050 0 0	
Liming Process	1,500 0 0	£40,200 0 0
Working Expenses of Pumping Stations (including Rates and Taxes)—		
Crossness	£15,000 0 0	
Deptford	5,000 0 0	
Cremorne	2,000 0 0	£22,000 0 0

Spring Gardens,
6th December, 1865.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE.

(B.)

Superintending Architect's Department.

Spring Gardens, 8th December, 1865.

ESTIMATE OF COST OF WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF THE SUPERINTENDING ARCHITECT, FOR THE YEAR 1866.

Local Improvements—	
Probable Amount of Contributions	£15,000 0 0

(Signed) GEORGE VULLIAMY,
Superintending Architect.

(C.)

Spring Gardens,
December, 1865.

APPROXIMATE ESTIMATE OF THE EXPENSES UNDER THE SALE OF GAS ACTS, FOR THE YEAR 1866.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Gas for Testing	120 0 0	
Rent, Rates, and Taxes	200 0 0	
Salaries and Wages	1,050 0 0	
Coke and Coal	60 0 0	
Alteration, Repairs, and Maintenance	100 0 0	
Petty Cash and Sundries	100 0 0	1,630 0 0
CREDIT—		
Estimated Amount of Fees for Testing Meters		800 0 0
		£830 0 0

The Report having been read and received,

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £43,001 14s. 6d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board present at the Meeting.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sum of £25,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That the Governor and Company of the Bank of England be requested to give directions for a further advance to this Board of £50,000, for the purposes of the Main Drainage, agreeably to the provisions of the agreement between the Board and the Bank.

Resolved—That Mr. Hamilton be informed of the application to the Governor and Company of the Bank of England for a further advance; that Bonds to the amount of, and as security for, such advance, be transmitted to him, and that his signature be requested thereto.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That a Cheque for £10,205 8s. 10d. be drawn on the Southern Embankment Account, in respect of payments made on that Account, out of the Thames Embankment North Account, and be paid over to the credit of the latter Account; and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Phillips, and

Resolved—That a sum of £50 be paid to Mr. Compton, for the preparation of Indices to certain Acts of Parliament; and a Cheque was drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That so much of the Report as relates to the request of the Camberwell Vestry, that the Board would forego the taxed costs of the Appeal by the Vestry against the Rates made by the Board, be approved and adopted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Estimate of the sums required by the Board for the year 1866, for Sewerage and Drainage works, amounting to £40,200, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the amount required for the working expenses of the Pumping Stations at Deptford, Crossness, &c., viz., £22,000, be approved and adopted.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Estimate of the amount required for the Rent and Taxes for St. George's Wharf, and other premises occupied by the Board, viz., £350, be approved and adopted.

The Engineer read the Estimate in detail of the Working Expenses of the several Pumping Stations, for the year 1866.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Legg—That the Estimate be printed, for the use of the Members.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, and seconded by Mr. Legg—That the Estimate of the amount to be raised for contributions by the Board towards Minor Improvements, for the year 1866, viz. £15,000, be approved and adopted.

An **amendment** thereon was moved by Mr. Newton, and seconded by Mr. Savage—That the amount be reduced to £10,000.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was lost.

The original motion was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was resolved accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Estimate of the sums required for General Purposes (less the amounts chargeable to Special Accounts), amounting to £16,187, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the sums required for the expenses under the Sale of Gas Acts, amounting to £830, be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the estimated sum required under the Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, namely, £10,000, be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Estimate of the sums required for the Repayment of Loans and Interest on Mortgage Debts of the Board, and for Compensation Allowances to late Officers, amounting to £54,256 9s. 2d., be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the Estimate of the sums required for the Repayment of Mortgage Debts, &c., of the late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, Interest on Loans and Annuities, amounting to £19,546 4s. 8d., be approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £8,000, being the Approximate Surplus of the Estimates for the year 1865, be deducted from the Estimate of the sums required by the Board for the year 1866.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the Accountant be instructed to apportion the said several sums agreed to this day, for the Expenses of the Board for the year 1866, on the City of London, and the several Parishes and parts liable thereto, on the rentals of the County and other Rates; that in making such apportionment no part of the expenses connected with the Gas Acts be charged upon the City of London; that he do submit such apportionment to the Board at their Meeting on Friday next, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to each Member of the Board previously thereto.

5. It was moved by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—"That this Board is strongly of opinion that the money to be raised for the "purposes of the Houseless Poor Acts, should be levied in the same manner as the Poor "Rate, and not as a Sewers Rate, as at present, and that the Chairman be requested to "seek an interview with the President of the Poor Law Board, and endeavour to obtain "an alteration of the law to effect that object."

6. Mr. Savage brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE WORKS AND IMPROVEMENTS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,

12th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of your Honorable Board of the 6th October last, (No. 2), they have considered the Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that they had negotiated with the Fishmongers' Company for the setting back of the premises at the South-east corner of Lombard-street, whereby that thoroughfare would be widened, and the corner of Gracechurch-street at its intersection, would be improved, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the Memorial, and requesting the Board to contribute to the cost thereof. The setting back of the premises in question would increase the width of the Eastern-end of Lombard-

street, from 22 feet 6 inches, 27 feet, and 28 feet, to 34 and 35 feet, respectively, and would also slightly improve the corner of Gracechurch-street. It appears to your Committee that this is an improvement of great importance, and which would be very advantageous to the public, as the narrowness of this end of Lombard-street, at the present time, is a source of great inconvenience. They have conferred with the Superintending Architect and have ascertained from him, that the sum of £8,000, paid for the piece of ground to be added to the thoroughfare, is fair, considering the value of property in the locality. Under these circumstances your Committee recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of the proposed improvement, such contribution not to exceed £4,000, and that that amount be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 6th October last, (No. 3), considered the Memorial from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, stating that they had negotiated and arranged for the frontage line of the premises, Nos. 11 and 12, Old Broad-street, City, to be set back, and the ground to be added to the street, according to the Plan accompanying the Memorial, for the sum of £450, independent of the professional expenses in connection therewith, and requesting the Board to contribute to the cost thereof. In 1862, Nos. 8, 9, and 10, in the same street were set back, and your Honorable Board contributed thereto the sum of £265, being one-third of the cost of the improvement. As Nos. 11 and 12 are now about to be rebuilt, it is proposed to set them back to the same line. In the opinion of your Committee this is a very desirable improvement, and one to which the Board might fairly contribute. The Superintending Architect has reported that the price to be paid is moderate, and your Committee recommend—

That the Board do contribute one-third of the cost of the said improvement, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150; and that that amount be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the Memorial of the Vestry of Paddington, on the subject of widening the Bridge in the Harrow-road, over the Canal at Westbourne-green, referred to them on the 10th February last, (No. 7). The Memorial states that the increasing traffic requires that the bridge should be enlarged and widened, and that the cost of the work is estimated at £2,600, and requests that, in consideration of the importance of the improvement, your Honorable Board will grant such a sum of money in aid thereof as may seem meet. It is proposed to make the bridge 40 feet wide, and to reduce the gradients of the approaches, which are at present very steep. Your Committee concur in the importance of the improvement, the Harrow-road being one of the main thoroughfares of the Western extremity of the Metropolis; but it appears to them that, as it is probable the traffic will continue to increase, 40 feet will hereafter be hardly sufficient width for the new bridge, as, when 13 feet are taken for pavement, it will leave only a 27 feet roadway. They are of opinion that, if possible, the bridge should be made 50 feet wide; that, if this be done, the Board should contribute thereto the sum of £1,000, which would be about one-third of the cost, and they beg to recommend accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) JOHN SAVAGE.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
HENRY BIDGOOD.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Savage, and seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor—That so much of the Report as relates to the Board contributing one-half of the cost of the proposed improvement at the South-East corner of Lombard-street, be approved and adopted.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Shaw, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That the contribution of the Board be limited to one-third of the cost.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was lost.

A Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Amendment—5.		Against the Amendment—26.	
Brooker, J., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.	Adams, B. H., Esq.	Lammin, W. H., Esq
Healey, F., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Bidgood, H., Esq.	Le Breton, P. H., Esq.
		Brushfield, T., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.
		Carpmael, W., Esq.	M'Donnell, D., Esq.
		Clark, W., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P
		Collinson, E., Esq.	Morcland, J., Esq.
		Cook, E. R., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
		Dalton, W. H., Esq.	Pew, J., Esq.
		Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
		Freeman, R., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
		Hall, J. O., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
		Harris, C., Esq.	Taylor, H. L., Esq.
		Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Shaw.		Teller—Mr. Savage.	

The original motion was then put to the vote and carried in the affirmative, and it was

Resolved—That the Board do contribute one-half of the cost of an improvement to be carried out by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, by setting back the premises at the South-East corner of Lombard-street, as shown on the Plan submitted to the Committee, at an estimated cost of £8,000, independent of professional charges; such contribution not to exceed £4,000; and that such contribution be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, seconded by Mr. Henry Lowman Taylor, and

Resolved—That the Board do contribute one-third of the cost of an improvement to be carried out by the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, by the setting back of the premises, Nos. 11 and 12, Old Broad-street, as shown on the Plan submitted to the Committee, at an estimated cost of £450, exclusive of professional charges, such contribution not to exceed the sum of £150; and that such contribution be paid to the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, on a certificate from the Architect of this Board of the completion of the work.

It was moved by Mr. Savage, and seconded by Mr. Tanner—That the Board do contribute the sum of £1,000 towards the cost of a new Bridge, proposed to be constructed by the Vestry of Paddington, in the place of the present bridge over the Canal at Westbourne-green, on condition that the new bridge be made of a width of 50 feet, instead of

40 feet as proposed by the Vestry, and that such amount be paid to the Vestry of Paddington, on a certificate from the Engineer of this Board of the completion of the work.

After discussion, the motion was, by leave of the Board, withdrawn; and it was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for further consideration and report; that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon, and that Mr. Roche, and the Vestry Clerk, and the Surveyor to the Vestry be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

7. Mr. Le Breton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE BUILDING ACT AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
12th December, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that they have considered the subject of the formation of the footway known as Warburton-square, near the Triangle, Mare-street, Hackney, sanctioned by the Board on the 21st February, 1862, (No. 73), the same not having been flagged, in accordance with the condition annexed to such sanction, referred by the Board on the 10th November last, (No. 97). This matter was brought under the notice of the Superintending Architect by the Surveyor to the Hackney District Board of Works, and was reported by the Superintending Architect to your Honorable Board on the above date. Your Committee have ascertained from that officer that, at the time the Street in question was sanctioned, it was the custom to require either that footways should be paved, or that gates and posts should be put up at the entrances. It appears that, in the present instance, Mr. Glaskin, the owner, adopted the alternative of gates, and placed iron railings and gates at the two entrances, so that the Street is strictly kept as a footway. Your Committee, having regard to the length of time which has elapsed since the sanction of the Board was given to the formation of the footway in question, think that it is not expedient to take any steps for enforcing compliance with the Order requiring that the footway should be flagged over its entire surface, and they recommend—

That a communication to that effect be forwarded to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, and reminding them that they possess powers to pave the footway in question.

In considering the above subject, your Committee have had their attention directed to the necessity which exists for some regulation, requiring persons applying for the sanction of the Board to the formation of streets of the width of 20 feet, to pave the same over their entire surface, and they recommend—

That it be referred to the Solicitor to report as to the framing of a Bye-law, to meet such requirement, and that in the meantime all applicants be required to sign a condition binding them to the same.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the letter from Mr. Edwards, Clerk to the Lewisham District Board of Works, calling attention to the inconvenience arising from the formation of new streets without a name being assigned to them, referred by the Board on the 10th ultimo, (No. 42). The District Board urge that great confusion is occasioned with regard to Building and Drainage Applications in several newly formed streets in that District, in consequence of such streets not having had a name assigned to them, and they suggest, as a remedy, that applicants for the formation of new streets should be required to assign names to them, which names should be submitted to the Local Board for their suggestions, and that, in default of any applicant proposing a name for a street, a name should be assigned to it by the Board

upon the formation of the street being sanctioned. On the 10th November last, (No. 95), your Honorable Board passed a Resolution to the effect that no Plan for the formation of new streets should be approved, unless the names proposed to be given to such streets were submitted at the same time. Your Committee have received from the Superintending Architect a Report, in which he states that the Order above referred to "has been "acted on, but as one month only is allowed, indirectly, by the Bye-law for the approval "of new streets, the fixing of the name by correspondence with the applicant occupies "most of that interval, and in some instances advantage might be taken of the circum- "stance, to proceed with streets which have not been approved." Your Committee feel that some means should be adopted with a view of obviating this difficulty, and they accordingly recommend—

That a Circular be issued, requiring applicants for the formation of streets to submit names for them, and that the Superintending Architect be directed strictly to carry out such requirement.

Your Committee have also considered the application of Mr. Henry Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of the "Jolly Farmers" beer-shop, in High-street, Lewisham, referred by the Board on the 24th November last, (No. 24). It appears that the line of frontage in the locality is very irregular, and the buildings suburban in character, and that adjoining the beer-shop is a draper's shop, which projects to the same extent as is now required by the applicant. Under these circumstances your Committee see no objection to the erection of the proposed addition, and they recommend—

That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed addition be of the height of one story only, and that the doorway be placed at the North side.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Josiah Houle, on behalf of Messrs. Green and Stansby, for the approval by the Board of a modified Plan for the formation of four new streets on land near the Railway Station at Tranquil-vale, Blackheath, referred by the Board on the 1st instant, (No. 64). It is proposed to make the street on the North-side of the land in question 40 feet wide, the one on the South, and adjoining the North Kent Railway, 30 feet wide, and the junction between the two 40 feet wide in parts, diminishing to 30 feet. It is also proposed to make a paved passage on the same estate of the width of 20 feet throughout. Your Committee are of opinion that the street which abuts on the railway should be made 40 feet wide, and, with this modification, and on condition that the proposed footway be flagged over its entire surface, they recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 29th September last, (No. 59), considered the application of Sir Edward Belcher, requesting that the Resolution of the Board of the 24th June, 1864, (No. 5), ordering the re-numbering of the house, No. 22A, Connaught-square, might be suspended. It appears that the Resolution above referred to was passed in ignorance of the fact that the number in question had been sanctioned by the Board on the 4th December, 1857, (No. 7). Sir Edward Belcher now objects to the alteration last ordered, on the ground

that it is calculated seriously to depreciate his property. Your Committee, after a careful investigation, are of opinion that the present number of the house, viz., 22A, should be allowed to remain, and they recommend—

That so much of the Order of the Board of the 24th June, 1864, (No. 5), as relates to the re-numbering of the house, No. 22A, Connaught-square, be not further acted upon, and that the Vestry of Paddington be informed accordingly.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 10th ultimo, (No. 5), reconsidered the circumstances under which Ranwell-street, Old Ford-road, has been formed of the width of 23 feet, instead of 24 feet, as required by the Board, and having conferred with your Solicitor on the subject, they recommend—

That no action be taken in the matter.

It appears to your Committee desirable that, in cases where Plans of proposed streets are sanctioned on certain conditions, copies of such Plans should be forwarded to the District Surveyors, and they recommend that course for adoption.

Your Committee have further to Report that they have considered the application of Mr. John W. Morris, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a house in Grundy-street, Poplar, on a site between two narrow streets, referred by the Board on the 24th November last, (No. 69). It is proposed to erect the house in question, on a site at present occupied by two old houses. This site is between two narrow streets, about 10 feet wide, one being a court with six cottages on one side and closed at the end, the other street increasing to 20 feet in width and open at both ends, with small houses on both sides. Your Committee find that the applicants in this case are Trustees, and that they have no power to consent to the giving up of any of the land for the purpose of widening the streets referred to. Your Committee, therefore, recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Mr. E. Welby Pugin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two buttresses to the new front of a Church in Hoxton-square, Shoreditch, referred by the Board on the 10th ult., (No. 53). It is proposed to keep the main front of the Church in a line with the general frontage of the houses in the Square, but the buttresses are required to project 2 feet 3 inches beyond it. These projections would, however, be upwards of 12 feet from the public way, and your Committee see no objection to their erection, and accordingly recommend—

That the application be granted.

Your Committee have also, in accordance with the Resolution of the Board of the 10th November last, (No. 37), considered the letter from Mr. G. W. Marsden, Vestry Clerk, Camberwell, calling attention to the evasion, by running dustmen, of the 89th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, by giving false names and addresses, or refusing to give their names, and requesting the Board to obtain legislative relief to the Parishes in the matter. Your Committee feel that the evil

complained of is a great one, for which some remedy should be provided in any Amended Bill which it may become necessary, at some future time, to apply for. Your Committee recommend—

That the receipt of the letter from the Vestry be acknowledged, and that they be informed to the effect that the Board have no intention, at present, of applying for an Amended Bill.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. J. C. Harrison, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five houses, one being a corner house with a bay-window, in Keeton's-road, and of a stable and shop in Francis-road, Bermondsey, referred by the Board on the 24th November last, (No. 23). Your Committee have conferred with the Superintending Architect on this application, and they recommend—

That it be granted, on condition that the four houses, and the main front of the corner house, be built in a line with the South-end of Keeton's-road; that the proposed bay-window be limited to the height of the ground story of the house, and that the proposed stable and shop be kept back 4 feet 9 inches from the public way, like the rest of the general frontage Eastward, in Francis-road.

Your Committee have, agreeably to the Resolution of the Board of the 1st instant, (No. 70), considered the letter from Mr. J. C. Reynolds, on behalf of the Vestry of Camberwell, calling attention to the non-fulfilment of the condition upon which a new street was sanctioned by the Board on the 13th November, 1863, (No. 6), on the application of Mr. Winter, as a footway, 20 feet wide, viz., that its entire surface should be flagged, and requesting that immediate steps might be taken to enforce compliance with the Order of the Board. This is a case similar to the one which your Committee have already reported on, with reference to the footway known as Warburton-square, and, for the same reasons as are there set forth, they think that it is not expedient for the Board to take any steps in the matter, and they recommend—

That a communication, similar to the one recommended by your Committee to be sent to the Board of Works for the Hackney District, be forwarded to the Vestry of Camberwell.

In connection with this reference, your Committee have considered as to the propriety of some measures being adopted for ensuring the carrying out of the Orders of the Board, with reference to the paving of streets, sanctioned by them as footways; and they beg to recommend—

That a circular letter be sent to the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis, requesting them to instruct their Surveyors to see that the Orders are carried out.

Your Committee have further to report that they have considered the application of Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, District Surveyor of the Western Division of the City of London, requesting the appointment of a Fee for Special Services performed in relation to the reinstatement, after a fire, of a portion of the premises of Messrs. Norris, No. 128, Aldersgate-street, referred by the Board on the 1st instant, (No. 77). Your Committee, having regard to the circumstances under which these services were performed by the District Surveyor, are of opinion that he is entitled to a Special Fee in respect thereof, and they recommend—

That he be authorized to receive a Fee of Two Guineas, for the same.

Your Committee have also to report that they have considered the application of Messrs. Cooper, Brothers, for the alteration of the name of George-street, Mansion House, to Mansion House-place, referred by the Board on the 28th April last, (No. 66). Your

Committee have ascertained from the Commissioners of Sewers of the City of London, that there is a strong objection on the part of the owners and occupiers of the houses in the street in question to the proposed alteration, and under these circumstances they are of opinion that it is not expedient to alter the present name.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) P. H. LE BRETON.
JOSEPH MORELAND.
SILAS TAYLOR.

The Report having been read and received.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That a communication be addressed to the Hackney District Board, to the effect that this Board are unable, from the lapse of time, to take any steps to enforce compliance with the Order of this Board, requiring the footway known as Warburton-square, to be flagged over its entire surface, and that the District Board possess powers to pave the footway in question.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That it be referred to the Solicitor to report as to the framing of a Bye-law, requiring persons applying for the sanction of the Board to the formation of streets of 20 feet in width, to pave the same over the entire surface; and that, in the meantime, all applicants be required to sign a condition binding them to such requirement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That a Circular be issued, requiring applicants for the formation of new streets, to submit names for the same, and that the Superintending Architect be directed strictly to carry out the requirements of the Board.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Mr. Henry Major, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of the "Jolly Farmers" beer-shop, in High-street, Lewisham, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the proposed addition be of the height of one story only; that the entrance be placed at the North side, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That the application of Mr. Josiah Houle, on behalf of Messrs. Green and Stansby, for the approval by the Board of a modified Plan for the formation of four new streets and a footway, on land near the Railway Station at Tranquil Vale, Blackheath, be granted, on condition that the street abutting on the Railway be widened to 40 feet, and the footway flagged over its entire surface.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Order of the Board of the 24th June, 1864, (No. 5), as relates to the re-numbering the house, No. 22A, Connaught-square, be not further acted upon, and that the Vestry of Paddington be informed accordingly.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Le Breton—That no further action be taken by the Board with respect to the width of Ranwell-street, Old Ford-road, Bow, referred to in the application of Mr. George Willesmere.

Resolved—That, in cases where the sanction of the Board is given upon certain conditions to Plans of proposed new streets, the applicants be required to furnish a further

copy of the Plans, and that such Plans be forwarded to the District Surveyors for their guidance.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Mr. John W. Morris, for the approval by the Board of the erection of a house in Grundy-street, Poplar, on a site between two narrow streets, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Mr. E. Welby Pugin, for the consent of the Board to the erection of two buttresses to the front of a church in Hoxton-square, Shoreditch, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Camberwell, in reply to their letter calling attention to the evasion, by running dustmen, of the 89th Section of the Metropolis Local Management Amendment Act, to the effect that the Board have no intention at present of applying for an amended Bill.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the application of Mr. J. C. Harrison, for the consent of the Board to the erection of five houses, one being a corner house with a bay-window, in Keeton's-road, and of a stable and shop in Francis-road, Bermondsey, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application, be granted, on condition that the stable and shop be kept back 4 feet 9 inches from the public way, like the rest of the general frontage, eastward, in Francis-road, and that the erections in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and that it be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

It was **moved** by Mr. Le Breton, and seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor—That a circular letter be sent to the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis, requesting them to instruct their Surveyors to see that the Orders of this Board with reference to the Paving of Streets sanctioned by the Board, as Footways, are carried out.

An **amendment** thereon was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, and seconded by Mr. Pew—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for reconsideration and report.

The **amendment** having been put to the vote, was declared by the Chairman to be lost.

A Division was then demanded and granted, and the Names of the Members voting having been taken down, there were—

For the Amendment—11.	
Clark, W., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Freeman, R., Esq.	Pew, J., Esq.
Hall, J. O., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Richardson, G. B., Esq.
Long, J., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.

Teller—Mr. Collinson.

Against the Amendment—12.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.
Finnis, T. Q., Esq., Ald.	Savage, J., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.
Legg, C., Esq.	

Teller—Mr. Le Breton.

And there not being a majority of the members present for or against the Amendment, the Board came to no resolution thereon.

The **original motion** was then put, and a Division having been demanded and granted, the Names of the Members voting were taken down, when there were—

For the Motion—13.		Against the Motion—12.	
Adams, B. H., Esq.	Legg, C., Esq.	Clark, W., Esq.	Nicholay, J. A., Esq.
Brooker, J., Esq.	Miller, T. J., Esq., M.P.	Collinson, E., Esq.	Pew, J. Esq.
Brushfield, T., Esq.	Newton, W., Esq.	Freeman, R., Esq.	Phillips, J. S., Esq.
Finnis, T.Q., Esq., Ald.	Savage, J., Esq.	Hall, J. O., Esq.	Roche, C. M., Esq.
Healey, F., Esq.	Tanner, J. J., Esq.	Hows, W. A. H., Esq.	Shaw, A. N., Esq.
Lammin, W. H., Esq.	Taylor, Silas, Esq.	Long, J., Esq.	
Teller—Mr. Le Breton.		Teller—Mr. Richardson.	

And the Chairman having voted in favour of the Motion, it was declared to be carried, and it was

Resolved—That a circular letter be sent to the several Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis, requesting them to instruct their Surveyors to see that the Orders of this Board, with reference to the Paving of Streets sanctioned by the Board, as Footways, are carried out.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That the Vestry of Camberwell be informed that the Board regret they are unable, from the lapse of time, to take any steps to enforce compliance with the Order of the Board, sanctioning the application of Mr. Winter for a new street, as a footway, (20 feet wide), on condition that its entire surface should be flagged; and that the Vestry possess powers to pave the footway in question.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That Mr. Rawlinson Parkinson, the District Surveyor of the Western Division of the City of London, be authorized to receive a fee of two guineas, for special services performed in relation to the reinstatement, after a fire, of a portion of the premises of Messrs. Norris, No. 128, Aldersgate-street.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Le Breton—That so much of the Report as relates to the inexpediency of altering the name of George-street, Mansion House, be approved and adopted.

8. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
13th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, under the authority given to them by the Resolution of the Board of the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 2), they have drawn the following Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4).

Re Christ's Hospital, (No. 4, Pancras-lane,) and other property—			
Purchase-money (to be paid into Court) - - - -	£26,590	0	0
Re Tress, No. 17, Queen-street, Cheapside—			
Purchase-money, (Mr. Richard Tress) - - - -	885	0	0
Solicitors' costs (Messrs. Nott and Rogers) - - -	6	6	0

Your Committee have further to report that they have, in pursuance of the Resolution

of the Board of the 8th instant, (No. 41), considered the letter from Mr. Price, Clerk of the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, calling attention to the unlicensed storage of Petroleum in that neighbourhood, and suggesting that the Board should take some steps for enforcing the law. It appears to your Committee that, as the Board are required to act in a judicial capacity in dealing with applications for licenses under the Statute, it would be inexpedient that they should take steps to prosecute offenders, and they therefore recommend—

That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, calling their attention to the 7th Section of the Act, 25 and 26 Vic., c. 66, for the safe keeping of Petroleum, relative to the mode of proceeding for the recovery of penalties for offences against the Act.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. S. PHILLIPS.
WM. NEWTON.
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Phillips, and seconded by Mr. Brooker—That a communication be addressed to the Vestry of Mile End Old Town, calling their attention to the 7th Section of the Act, 25 and 26 Vict., c. 66, for the safe keeping of Petroleum, relative to the mode of proceeding for the recovery of penalties for offences against the Act.

An amendment thereon was moved by Mr. Richardson, and seconded by Mr. Healey—That the subject be referred back to the Committee, for reconsideration and report.

The amendment having been put to the vote, was carried; and having been put as an original motion, was also carried, and it was resolved accordingly.

9. Mr. Richardson brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
13th December, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that it is necessary that a Cheque should be drawn in favour of Mr. William Henry Withall, Executor of the late Mr. Rawlinson, for the sum of £425, being the balance of rent due, at Christmas next, in respect of premises at Stangate, required for the purposes of the Southern Embankment, and they recommend that a Cheque be drawn on the Southern Embankment Acccount, accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. S. PHILLIPS.
WM. NEWTON.
ROBT. FREEMAN.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That a Cheque be drawn on the Southern Embankment Account, in favour of Mr. Rawlinson, for the sum of £425, being the balance of rent due in respect of premises at Stangate, to Christmas next; and a Cheque was drawn accordingly.

10. Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That a Return be prepared and laid before the Board, shewing "the cost of the Southwark and Westminster Communication; the "amount of money borrowed, distinguishing what is now due, and the amount paid off;

"the amount received for sale of surplus lands; the annual rent of the land let on lease; "the interest paid, and the source from which paid."

11. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 15th December, 1865, on the under-mentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries, viz.—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORKS RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
HAMLET OF MILE END OLD TOWN.				
Burke-street, Stanfield-road, Lyall-road, and Antill-road	about 790 400 800	3'6"×2'3" 15 inch 12 "	½ brick pipe "	The same as applied for.
BERMONDSEY.				
Martin-street, Bermondsey .	400	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
ISLINGTON.				
Lambton-road, Hornsey-road .	400	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
SAINT MARY, NEWINGTON.				
New Streets at the rear of Newington-place, Kennington-park	about 2,160	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

12. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th December, 1865, on the application of the Plumstead District Board of Works, for the sanction of this Board to their stopping up part of Charlton-lane for a period of three months, for the purpose of sewerage works, stating that the traffic would be diverted through Church-lane, and recommending that the application be granted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the Report be approved, and that the sanction of the Board be given, and the same is hereby given, to the closing of the thoroughfare in question, by the Plumstead District Board of Works, for the purpose of executing sewerage works therein, for the period recommended by the Engineer, such sanction to date from the commencement of the works.

13. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens, S.W.,
14th December, 1865.

On Notice from the Millwall Canal Company, dated the 5th instant, intimating that they are about to proceed with alterations to sewers under the jurisdiction of the Board, shown upon a drawing accompanying the Notice, and requesting the sanction of the Board thereto. (27 and 28 Vict., cap. 255.)

The Company are, under their Act, empowered to construct new docks and other works in the Isle of Dogs, South of East and West India Docks, and which will intercept the drainage of that part of

the island South of their intended new works from the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Low Level Sewer, the outlet designed to take the drainage of the entire island.

It is proposed by the terms of the present Notice, to re-arrange the drainage of the island, and to convey the sewage of the portion intercepted, to the Isle of Dogs Branch, by means of a syphon under the intended dock, and to reverse the flow of a part of the sewage on the North side of the dock, by a new sewer to discharge into the existing main East and West India Dock Sewer.

I am not aware that any better system could be suggested, under the circumstances, and recommend that the Plans be generally approved, but that detailed drawings of the proposed syphon and works connected therewith be submitted for approval; that proper connections be made with all existing sewers, and that the works be done to the satisfaction of the Board, and under the superintendence of your Engineer.

As the levels of the intended substituted sewers will be below the level of any existing outlet, the Company should be required to lift the sewage to the level of the existing outlets, until the Abbey Mills Pumping Station shall have been completed.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the Report be adopted, and that the Plans submitted by the Millwall Canal Company be generally approved, but that they be required to submit detailed drawings of the proposed syphon and works connected therewith, and to make proper connections with all existing sewers; that the Company be further required to lift the sewage, proposed to be diverted, to the level of the existing outlets, until the Abbey Mills Pumping Station shall be completed, and to perform the whole of the works under the superintendence and to the satisfaction of the Engineer of the Board.

14. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 14th December, 1865, on a letter from Mr. T. W. Rammell, on behalf of himself and Sir C. Fox and Son, submitting, for the approval of the Board, a drawing showing the proposed works for carrying the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway under the Thames Embankment, stating that, in his opinion, the works in question were of adequate strength, so far as the works of the Board were concerned, and recommending the approval of the Board thereto, subject to the several works being carried out under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company.

It was moved by Mr. Roche, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Thames Embankment Committee, for consideration and report; and that the Solicitor do report to that Committee as to the power of the Board to charge the Company with the cost of the superintendence of the works.

15. The Solicitor laid before the Board the duplicate Contracts in respect of the Loan of £616,000 from the Bank of England, and the advance of £60,000, part of the said loan, for the purposes of Southwark Park, both sealed by the Bank.

16. The Solicitor laid before the Board a form of Order, prepared pursuant to the Resolution of the Board on Friday last, (No. 19), for extending the time for making the Vesting Order with regard to Leicester-square, under the Gardens in Towns Act, for a further period of six months from this date.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said form of Order, and that the Solicitor do give notice thereof to the Vestries of St. Martin-in-the-Fields and St. Ann, Soho; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

17. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the matter referred to him on Friday last, (No. 3), of an offence committed in sweeping mud through a grating into the Main Northumberland-street Sewer, that the offender had been summoned to appear before a Magistrate on Tuesday next.

18. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the re-building of Saville House, that the parties had again met to survey the premises, but that no decision had been arrived at.

19. The Solicitor laid before the Board Petitions to Parliament for leave to introduce Bills for carrying out the proposed Kensington Improvement, Thames Embankment Approaches, Chelsea Embankment, and Park-lane Improvement, together with the Bills as finally settled by the Streets Committee, and reported that he had added to the Bills the Lords' Standing Order Clause as to houses of labouring classes, as suggested by the Agents.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Petitions; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

20. The Solicitor suggested, with reference to Mr. Keene's claim for compensation for alleged damage to premises at Hammersmith, in the execution of the Western Sewerage works, which was referred to him on Friday last, (No. 8), that he should send a copy of the claim to the late Mr. Moxon's Assignees and also to the Solicitor of the Sureties.

Resolved—That the course suggested by the Solicitor be adopted.

21. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Ashurst, Morris, and Co., dated 13th December, 1865, stating that the choice of Assignees under the bankruptcy of Mr. Moxon was adjourned until the 28th instant, and that the question as to the performance of the Falcon Brook Contract would not be in any way affected by the death of Mr. Moxon.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, in connection with the previous reference of last Friday, on the subject.

22. The Solicitor reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of Friday last, (No. 10), referring it to him to take such steps as might be necessary to prevent the Surrey Commercial Dock Company from letting off their surplus water into the Earl Sewer at Bermondsey, he had examined the Act of Parliament and the Plan, and had at once written to the Company on the subject, and he laid before the Board two letters, which he had received from the Secretary of the Company in reply, to the effect that the subject had been brought before the Directors, and that their Engineer had been put in communication with the Engineer of the Board on the subject.

23. It was moved by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That Mr. Hows be appointed on the Finance, Streets, Main Drainage, Appeal, and Thames Embankment Committees.

24. Resolved—That the consideration of the following notice of motion, notice of which was given by Mr. Silas Taylor on the 8th inst., viz.—"That a sufficient number of copies "of the Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Board for the year 1864-5, be printed, "in order that each Member of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis may "be furnished with a copy,"—be adjourned until Friday next.

25. The Board further considered the application of Mr. Charles Pawley, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of four roads of the width of 40 feet, on land at

the corner of Croydon-road and High-street, Penge, the consideration of which was adjourned by the Board on the 10th November last, (No. 94).

Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, stating that the applicant had submitted the names "Pawleyn-road," "Arpley-road," "Evelina-road," and "Clarina-road," for the said streets, none of which names appeared to be in use.

It was moved by Mr. Brooker, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Plan and proposed names be approved.

26. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 6th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Danby, on behalf of Mr. W. G. Trewby, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a row of shops in front of the houses, Nos. 121, 123, 125 and 127, Waterloo-road, and No. 67, Lower-marsh, Lambeth, as shown upon the amended Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report; and that Mr. Doulton, M.P., and Mr. Robert Taylor, and the applicant, be invited to attend the Committee, when the subject shall be considered.

27. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Thomas Dudley, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico to the house, No. 12, Grafton-street, Bond-street, the construction of projecting sills to the first floor windows, and the raising of the existing bow projection from the second floor level to the level of the top cornice of the building, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That so much of the application as relates to the erection of the open portico and the construction of projecting sills, be granted, on condition that the erections be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board, but that so much of the application as relates to the raising of the existing bow projection be not granted.

28. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Bauman, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a building on the fore-court of the house, No. 316, Euston-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the height of the proposed erection do not exceed that of the adjoining shop, Westward, and that in other respects it be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

29. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Geo. E. Street, for the consent of the Board to the varying of the height of the church at the corner of Woodchester-street and Clarendon-street, Harrow-road, the Plan for which was approved by the Board on the 22nd January, 1864, (No. 20).

Resolved—That the application be granted, and that permission be given to carry up the outer walls of the aisles to a height not exceeding 18 feet above the highest level

of the pavement surrounding the site of the church, on condition that those walls be kept to the lines of frontage originally approved.

30. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 4th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. H. Johnson, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an addition to the front of the "Warwick Castle" public house, Portobello-road, Kensington, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be granted, on condition that the strip of ground outside the proposed building be added to the public footway, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

31. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. George Flowers, on behalf of Mrs. Agg, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 7, Albany-villas, Queen's-road, Holloway, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

32. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. G. Turner, on behalf of Mr. Muddock, for the consent of the Board to the erection of shops on the fore-courts of the houses, Nos. 1 and 2, Smith's-terrace, Hornsey-road, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Savage—That the application be not granted.

33. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. T. Verity, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a projection over the door-way of the house, No. 63A, Baker-street, Portman-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

34. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Tasker, for the consent of the Board to the erection of an open portico to the house, No. 10, Grosvenor-square, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

It was moved by Mr. Le Breton, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the plinths or piers do not project beyond the line of the area curb, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

35. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. R. Caulcutt, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop on the fore-court of the house, No. 56, Chapel-street, Pentonville, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the front of the proposed shop do range in a straight line with that at No. 57; that the surplus ground outside be added to the public way, and that the erection in other respects be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

36. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. A. Sard, for the consent of the Board to the erection of bay-windows to two houses in Avenue-road, Camberwell, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the proposed erections do not project more than 2 feet 3 inches, and that in other respects they be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

37. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Alfred Bean, on behalf of Captain Lane, for the consent of the Board to the erection of a shop in front of the house at the Eastern corner of Bridge-avenue, King-street, Hammersmith, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. J. M. Knight, for the consent of the Board to the rebuilding of the whole front of the house, No, 182, Mile End-road, up to the line of frontage of the shop in front of the same, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the erection be made in entire conformity with the letter of application, and as shown on the Plan accompanying it, and be not at any time, in any manner, altered or raised without the consent of this Board.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. J. Davidge, for the approval by the Board of an iron building erected in Stanley-street, Deptford, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the work as executed be satisfactory to the District Surveyor.

40. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. W. Smith, for the approval by the Board of the construction of a verandah at the rear of a pair of villas in Mayow-park Crescent, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the external roof-covering be made of incombustible materials.

41. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Messrs. Stevens and Son, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the construction of a furnace chimney-shaft, at No. 19, Southwark-bridge Road.

Resolved—That the application be granted, on condition that the foundation of the proposed shaft be made according to the Building Act, and to the satisfaction of the District Surveyor, according to law.

42. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 13th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. James Gatson, for the approval by the Board of the construction of an open shed, over a tan-pit in his yard at Perry-vale, Forest-hill, as shown upon the Plan accompanying the application.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the application be not granted.

43. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 12th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. C. Stonell, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a street, 20 feet wide, to lead out of Chatham-road, Wandsworth, and of the name, "Stonell's-place," for the same.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be granted, on condition that the entire surface of the proposed street be paved at the expense of the owner, and that no posts be placed at the entrances.

44. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 9th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. William Berriman, for the approval by the Board of a Plan for the formation of a paved street of the width of 20 feet, decreasing in parts of it to 11 feet, and having only one entrance, to lead out of Windmill-lane, parallel to Gurney-street, Camberwell.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be not granted.

45. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. Charles Lahee, on behalf of the Vestry of Chelsea, for the re-numbering of the houses in Park-walk, Chelsea.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

46. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 14th December, 1865, on the application of Mr. F. Aveling, on behalf of the Vestry of Paddington, for the re-numbering of the houses in Warwick-road, and the abolition of the subsidiary names therein.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brushfield—That the application be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

47. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 15th December, 1865, on the letter of Mr. W. B. Scott, on behalf of the Vestry of St. Pancras, calling attention to an infringement of the Order of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 12), requiring that the houses proposed to be built by Mr. Bassett, at the corner of Carlton Cottages and Queen's-road, and at the corner of Weedington-road and Queen's-road, should be kept to the general line of frontage of the houses on the West side of Weedington-road.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Solicitor, with a view to the enforcement of the Order of the Board of the 4th August last, (No. 12).

48. The Engineer laid before the Board a Letter, as follows—

18, Great George Street, Westminster,
December 15th, 1865.

ALBERT BRIDGE.

Dear Sir,

Referring to the conversation we have had about our Bridge (now in course of construction), as affecting your proposed Embankment at Chelsea, we should be willing, on obtaining the sanction of the Thames Conservancy, to alter the proposed line of our abutment on the Middlesex shore to a line in accordance with the line laid down on your deposited Plans, Chelsea abutment.

An early reply will much oblige,

Yours, &c.,

(Signed) ORDISH AND LE FEUVRE.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the Engineer do inform Messrs. Ordish and Le Feuvre that the Board, so far as they are concerned, see no objection to the alteration suggested by the Albert Bridge Company.

49. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. Sharpe, dated 8th December, 1865, transmitting a Memorial, signed by owners and occupiers of houses in Salisbury-road, Dalston, praying that this Board would direct the Hackney District Board of Works to make an estimate of the expense of paving that road, separately from any other road, and to apportion the amount amongst the owners.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

50. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Edwards, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Lewisham District, dated 7th December, 1865, forwarding a copy of the Report of the Medical Officer of that District upon the condition of Heath-grove, and adjacent new streets, formed under the sanction of this Board.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Building Act and General Purposes Committee, for consideration and report.

51. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Vestry of Bermondsey, dated 8th December, 1865, requesting the sanction of the Board to the borrowing by the Vestry of the sum of £5,500, repayable by 20 annual instalments, for the purpose of executing paving works in the Parish, and forwarding a statement as to the financial condition of the Parish.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

52. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. W. F. Jebb, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Westminster District, dated 11th December, 1865, forwarding a copy of Resolutions passed by the District Board, at their meeting on the 8th instant, as follows—

> Resolved—That this Board having been informed of the reply of the Chairman of the Metropolitan Board of Works in reference to the letter from Mr. Baring, on the subject of the Consolidation of District Boards for paving, lighting, and cleansing purposes in the Metropolis, highly approve the course taken by the Metropolitan Board of Works.
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> That a copy of the above Resolution be sent to the Metropolitan Board of Works, and Mr. T. J. Miller, M.P.

53. The Clerk laid before the Board a Memorial from Mr. John H. Dowley, formerly a Clerk of Works under the Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers, dated 11th December, 1865, praying the Board to grant him a continuance of his retiring allowance, for an extended period.

Resolved—That the Clerk do inform Mr. Dowley that the Board regret they are unable to entertain his application.

54. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Noble and Co., dated 25th November, 1865, submitting a pamphlet relative to the formation of Tramways, as a means of facilitating the traffic of the Metropolis.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

55. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from the Board of Works for the Plumstead District, dated 11th December, 1865, requesting the sanction of this Board to the borrowing by the District Board of the sum of £2,000, for the purposes of repairing roads, paving footpaths, and the general improvement of the roads and streets in the Parish of Lee, the principal to be repaid by annual instalments extending over a period of thirty years, and forwarding a statement as to the financial condition of the Parish.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Finance Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

56. The Clerk laid before the Board a letter from Mr. R. Green, Vestry Clerk, Kensington, dated 14th December, 1865, transmitting a Memorial from the Vestry, praying this Board to make an Order for an increase in the number of Vestrymen to be returned for each of the Wards of that Parish.

Resolved—That the said Memorial be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report.

57. The following Notice of motion was given for the Meeting of the Board on Friday next—

By Mr. Savage (No. 263)—As to the adjournment by the Board, at its rising on Friday next, to the 5th January, 1866.

Adjourned until Friday next, the 22nd instant, at this Office, at 12 o'clock at noon.

No. 46.

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday,** the **22nd** day of **December,** 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.	Silas Taylor, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Jeremiah Long, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Major William Lyon.
William Newton, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.
Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	James Brooker, Esq.
Cyrus Legg, Esq.	Henry Bidgood, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.
Thomas Brushfield, Esq.		
Joseph Moreland, Esq.		

1. The Chairman having called the attention of the Board to the desirability of an arrangement being come to with the Pneumatic Railway Company, as to the contribution to be paid by the Company for passing under the Thames Embankment,

It was moved by Mr. Richardson, seconded by Mr. Peckett, and

Resolved—That a communication be addressed to the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway Company, to the effect that if the Board consent to proper arrangements for the execution of the works of the Company, they will expect to have full indemnity for expense, and also to be properly compensated for interference with their property, and that they will object to the Company interfering with the Embankment, until all proper arrangements shall be made.

2. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on the 15th December instant having been amended by the insertion of the paragraph as to the reading of the Estimate of the Working Expenses of the several Pumping Stations, and the Resolution of the Board thereon, they were approved, and signed by the Chairman and two other Members of the Board present at such Meeting.

3. This being the day appointed for opening Tenders for the construction of the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, pursuant to the Resolution of the Board, of the 24th November last, (No. 3), the Clerk laid before the Board the Tenders which had been received.

The Estimate of the Engineer for the works in question, amounting to £75,000, was handed to the Chairman.

Resolved—That the Tenders be now opened.

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The following Tenders were then opened—

Mr. William H. Rowe, No. 7, Gloucester-place, Camden Town - - - - - - -	£53,884 0 0
Mr. William Webster, No. 8, St. Martin's-place - -	79,700 0 0
Mr. William Dethick, No. 77, Great Cambridge-street -	82,000 0 0
Messrs. Hill and Keddell, No, 203, Whitechapel-road -	86,000 0 0
Mr. Thomas Pearson, Kennington Cross - -	87,000 0 0

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee, for the consideration of the above-mentioned Tenders, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held, by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **December**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Savage, Esq.	Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.
John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	Charles Harris, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.
Joseph Moreland, Esq.	William Henry Dalton, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Robert Freeman, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.
Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	William Carpmael, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	Jeremiah Long, Esq.
		William Henry Lammin, Esq
		Major William Lyon.

1. Mr. Legg brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of Whole Board Committee.

Spring Gardens,
22nd December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that they have considered the Tenders opened this day, for the execution of the works for the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Mr. William Webster, for the construction of the works in question, for the sum of £79,700, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
CRYUS LEGG.
B. EVANS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Legg, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That the Tender of Mr. William Webster, for the construction of the works for the Isle of Dogs Branch of the Northern Low Level Sewer, for the sum of £79,700, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Webster was called in and informed of the foregoing resolution.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That, as the estimated cost of the above mentioned works is a sum exceeding £20,000, the Resolution of the Board of the 24th June last, (No. 3), ordering the execution of the works, and approving of the Plans and Specification for the same, be, and it is hereby, confirmed.

2. The Clerk laid before the Board the several Tenders which had been received for the supply of Oil, Tallow, &c., required for the Deptford and Crossness Pumping Stations, and for the Oil, &c., required for the Fire Brigade in Watling-street.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That the Tenders be now opened.

The Tenders were then opened, as follows—

Messrs. Hilton and Rider, No. 143, Great Suffolk-street, Southwark, at 5 per cent above the prices enumerated in the schedule annexed to the Tender.

Mr. Robert S. Parry, No. 21, Camomile-street, City, at 5 per cent under the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. Denton and Jutsum, Bow Common, at 5 per cent. above the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Mr. W. A. Rose, No. 66, Upper Thames-street, at the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Mr. Frederick P. Puckle, No. 87, Tower-street, City, at 3½ per cent. above the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. Pinchin and Johnson, New-road, St. George's East, at 5 per cent. under the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. J. G. and J. Pilcher and Sons, Morgan's-lane, Tooley-street, at 3 per cent. above the prices enumerated in the schedule.

Messrs. J. and W. Gibbs, City Soap Works, Milton-street, Cripplegate, at the prices enumerated in the schedule.

It was moved by Mr. Newton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Board do now resolve itself into a Committee, for the consideration of the above-mentioned Tenders, and do meet again at this place, at the rising of such Committee.

Adjourned accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Metropolitan Board of Works, held by adjournment, at the Office of the Board, Spring Gardens, on **Friday**, the **22nd** day of **December**, 1865, under and by virtue of the Act of the 19th year of the reign of Queen Victoria, for the better Local Management of the Metropolis,

Present—Sir John Thwaites, Chairman of the Board, in the Chair.

John Samuel Phillips, Esq.	George Peckett, Esq.	Jeremiah Long, Esq.
Henry Bidgood, Esq.	Benjamin Dixon, Esq.	Joseph Moreland, Esq.
Charles Harris, Esq.	Edward Collinson, Esq.	William Tite, Esq., M.P.
James Brooker, Esq.	William Henry Lammin, Esq.	John Orde Hall, Esq.
William Henry Dalton, Esq.	William Newton, Esq.	John Augustus Nicholay, Esq.
Robert Freeman, Esq.	Benjamin Evans, Esq.	Charles Mills Roche, Esq.
William Carpmael, Esq.	William Clark, Esq.	Thomas Quested Finnis, Esq., Ald.
Guildford Barker Richardson, Esq.	Cyrus Legg, Esq.	John Joseph Tanner, Esq.
Francis Healey, Esq.	Thomas Brushfield, Esq.	Frederic Doulton, Esq., M.P.
Silas Taylor, Esq.	Major William Lyon.	William Arnold Haddon Hows, Esq.
Thomas Beven, Esq.	Alexander Nesbitt Shaw, Esq.	
John Savage, Esq.	Robert Taylor, Esq.	
	Taverner John Miller, Esq., M.P.	

1. Mr. Brushfield brought up a Report, as follows—

Report of the Whole Board Committee.

Spring Gardens,
22nd December, 1865.

Your Committee have to Report that they have considered the several Tenders opened this day for the supply of Oil, Tallow, &c., required for the Deptford and Crossness Pumping Stations, and they recommend—

That the Tender of Messrs. Pinchin and Johnson, for the supply of the articles in question, at 5 per cent. below the prices mentioned in the schedule, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
THOS. BRUSHFIELD.
CYRUS LEGG.
W. CLARK.
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Brushfield—That the Tender of Messrs. Pinchin and Johnson, for the supply of Oil, Tallow, &c., required for the Deptford and Crossness Pumping Stations, and for the Oil, &c., required for the Fire Brigade, in Watling-street, at 5 per cent. under the prices mentioned in the schedule annexed to the Tender, be accepted, subject to the usual enquiries.

Mr. Johnson was called in and informed of the foregoing Resolution.

2. Mr. Harris, at the request of Mr. Cook, handed in a letter from Mr. Ceely, Clerk to the Board of Works for the Poplar District, dated 21st December, 1865, stating that Mr. Evan Prosser, of Devon's-road, Bromley St. Leonard, was erecting a building at the

junction of Devon's-road and Tibbet's-road, which, in the opinion of the Surveyor to the District Board, was in contravention of the 98th Sec. of the 25 and 26 Vic., c. 102.

It was **moved** by Mr. Harris, seconded by Mr. Newton, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Superintending Architect, for a report thereon.

3. Mr. Harris handed in a letter from Mr. Sturmy, Clerk to the St. Saviour's District Board of Works, dated 19th December, 1865, calling the attention of this Board to the intention of the Phœnix Gas Company to erect a warehouse on the North side of Bankside, immediately adjoining the premises of Messrs. Horne and Hinton, in Willow-street, Bankside.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Harris—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report; that the Superintending Architect do report to that Committee thereon, and that the Solicitor be instructed to advise the Committee in relation to the subject.

4. Mr. Dalton brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
20th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to Report that they have examined the Pass Books of the Treasurer and Banker of the Board, together with the Certificate of the Manager of the Bank of London, and ascertained that the Cash Account is as follows—

HEADS OF ACCOUNTS.	CASH BALANCES IN HANDS OF TREASURER, 19th December, 1865.			CHEQUES ORDERED, BUT NOT PRESENTED, 19th December, 1865.		
	Current Accounts.	Deposit Accounts.	Total.	Issued.	Not Issued.	Total.
BANK OF LONDON.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account	28,519 0 9	30,000 0 0	58,519 0 9	1,263 0 4	20,056 13 7	21,319 13 11
Covent Garden Approach	1,184 16 6	.....	1,184 16 6	.....	.....	.....
Southwark and Westminster Communication	632 2 9	22,000 0 0	22,632 2 9	.....	.....	.....
Victoria Park Approach	81 4 6	.....	81 4 6	.....	.....	.....
Finsbury Park	280 8 4	.....	280 8 4	.....	.....	.....
Main Drainage Rate Collection	2,219 12 1	12,000 0 0	14,219 12 1	5 0 0	5 0 0	10 0 0
Southwark Park	.....	60,000 0 0	60,000 0 0	.....	.....	.....
£	32,917 4 11	124,000 0 0	156,917 4 11	1,268 0 4	20,061 13 7	21,329 13 11
BANK OF ENGLAND.						
Metropolis Main Drainage	44,755 16 4	.....	44,755 16 4	15 0 0	3,083 10 0	3,098 10 0
Thames Embankment (North)	70,829 17 1	.....	70,829 17 1	26,706 14 8	8,982 12 8	35,689 7 4
Southern Embankment	89,784 14 7	.....	89,784 14 7	.....	425 0 0	425 0 0
Mansion House Street	138 13 3	.....	138 13 3	.....	.....	.....
£	288,426 6 2	124,000 0 0	362,426 6 2	27,989 15 0	32,552 16 3	60,542 11 3

Your Committee have had before them the following Statement of Sums received, which they now beg to submit—

SUMS RECEIVED between 9th and 19th December, 1865—

		£ s. d.	£ s. d.
General Account.			
Precepts—			
Camberwell - - - -	£1,000 0 0		
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square - -	317 0 0		
Improvement Rates and Charges for Default -	41 14 1		
		- -	1,358 14 1
Covent Garden Approach.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		- -	143 18 9
Southwark and Westminster Communication.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		- -	70 0 0
Main Drainage Rate Collection.			
Rates—			
St. George, Hanover Square - - - -		- -	489 0 0
Metropolis Main Drainage.			
Advance from Bank of England - - - -		- -	50,000 0 0
Mansion House Street.			
Rents collected—per J. Gotto - - - -		- -	138 13 3
			£ 52,200 6 1

Your Committee have examined the Certificates of the various Officers for the payments specified in the annexed Statement, and find the same correct, and they recommend—

That the sums therein specified, amounting to £28,559 19s. 11d., be paid.

Your Committee beg to Report that the second instalment of the loan of £616,000 from the Bank of England is now required, viz.—the sum of £46,000 to meet the expenses of covering over the Main Sewers in Schedule D; the first instalment of £60,000 for the purposes of Southwark-park having been paid over at the beginning of the present month. Your Committee have had before them the Draft Deed of Mortgage, of which they have approved, and beg to recommend—

That the Clerk be authorized to write a letter to the Bank of England, requesting them to pay the said sum of £46,000 to the General Deposit Account of the Board at the Bank of London.

Your Committee have also, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 1st instant, (No. 40), considered the letter from the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, requesting to be informed in what way the Board would wish the deposit of £25,000, due by the Company on the 19th instant, to be made. Your Committee instructed the Solicitor to write, stating that the amount might either be paid on deposit to the Account of the Board at the Bank of London, or invested in Consols, the Company taking the risk of depreciation of those Funds. The Company, however, deposited the amount with the Board; and your Committee thereupon directed the Accountant to place it on deposit at the Bank of London, to a separate account, to be called the "Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Deposit Account."

Your Committee have directed their attention to the state of the several Current and Deposit Accounts of the Board, and they recommend—

That the sum of £5,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

That the sum of £12,000 be transferred from the Deposit to the Current Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

Your Committee have further to report that the amount of the Main Drainage Precept on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the year ending 1st August, 1865, viz., £13,453 8s. 6d., has been collected, and that a Cheque for the amount can now be drawn on the Main Drainage Rate Collection Account at the Bank of London, and paid over to the Main Drainage Account at the Bank of England. Your Committee beg to recommend that course for adoption.

Your Committee have ascertained that Cheques, to the amount of £442 12s., are required to be drawn on the Finsbury Park Account, the balance at the credit of that Account being only £280. It is, therefore, desirable that the sum of £500 should be transferred to that Account, by way of loan, from the General Current Account of the Board. Your Committee recommend that this be done, and that the Finsbury Park Account be charged with the current rate of interest until the amount shall be repaid.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHA$^{S.}$ HARRIS.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN THE FOREGOING REPORT.

General Account.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
BOARD OF WORKS FOR GREENWICH DISTRICT—		
(6673) Contribution towards Paving North Pole Lane and Norman Road, Greenwich - - -	87 1 0	
MANDER, G.—		
(6674) Bill for Mathematical and Surveying Instruments, February to December, 1865 - - -	9 0 0	
HUGHES, E., Accountant—		
(6675) Amount paid for Expenses, in respect of Parliamentary business - - - - -	36 2 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—		
(6676) Week ending 13th December, 1865 - - -	160 6 1	
WAINWRIGHT, T., Contractor—		
(6677) Further on account of Contract Works, White Post Lane Sewer, (No. 40) - - - -	350 0 0	
WILLIAMS, J. & S., Contractors—		
(6678) Further on account of Contract Works, Stamford Brook Sewer, (No. 41) - - - -	2,000 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—		
(6679) Further on account of Contract Works, Earl, Battle Bridge, &c., Sewers, (No. 43) - - -	1,170 0 0	
		3,812 9 1
Finsbury Park.		
NORTON, HOGGART, AND TRIST—		
(38) Surveyors' Charges, *re* Willan - - -	234 12 0	
LEE, C.—		
(39) Surveyor's Charges, *re* Blackall - - -	157 10 0	
POWNALL, G.—		
(40) Surveyor's Charges, *re* Blackall - - -	52 10 0	
		444 12 0
Carried forward - -		£4,257 1 1

			£ s. d.
	Brought forward -		4,257 1 1
	Metropolis Main Drainage.		
WEBSTER, W., Contractor—			
Further on account of Contract Works—			
(1932) Southern Outfall, Crossness, (No. 16) -	£7,500 0 0		
(1933) Southern Low Level Sewer, (No. 19) -	2,340 0 0		
(1934) Ditto ditto -	5,850 0 0		
		15,690 0 0	
DETHICK, W., Contractor—			
(1935) On account of General Contract Works, Quarter ending Michaelmas, 1865 - - - -		1,500 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(1936) Week ending 13th December, 1865 - - -		75 2 10	
			17,265 2 10
	Thames Embankment, North.		
FURNESS, G., Contractor—			
(807) Further on account of Contract No. 1, including Plant and Materials - - - - -		7,000 0 0	
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(808) Week ending 13th December, 1865 - - -		33 12 0	
			7,033 12 0
	Southern Embankment.		
WEEKLY WAGES—			
(5) Week ending 13th November, 1865 - - - - -			4 4 0
	TOTAL - -		£ 28,559 19 11

Certified,

(*Signed*) EDWARD HUGHES,
Accountant.

Examined,

(*Signed*) J. THWAITES.
W. H. DALTON.
CHAS. HARRIS.
W. A. H. HOWS.
G. B. RICHARDSON.
J. S. PHILLIPS.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sums specified in the Statement submitted to the Committee, amounting in the whole to £28,559 19s. 11d., be paid.

Cheques were then signed by two Members of the Board, present at the Meeting.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That the Bank of England be requested to pay over to this Board the sum of £46,000, for the purpose of covering over Main Sewers, being the second instalment of the Loan of £616,000.

The Solicitor laid before the Board the Deed of Mortgage by the Board of the Rates, as security to the Bank of England, for the above mentioned sum of £46,000.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed of Mortgage, and that the Clerk be authorized to address a letter to the Bank of England, requesting them to pay the said sum of £46,000 to the General Deposit Account of the Board at the Bank of London; and the Seal was affixed to the Deed of Mortgage accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That so much of the Report as relates to the deposit at the Bank of London to a separate account, to be called the "Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation

Deposit Account," of the sum of £25,000, deposited by the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company with the Board, in accordance with the terms of the Agreement between the Board and the Company, be approved and adopted.

The Banker's Pass Book, containing an entry of the above-mentioned amount, was laid before the Board.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That the sum of £5,000 be transferred from the General Deposit to the General Current Account of the Board.

Resolved—That the sum of £12,000 be transferred from the Deposit to the Current Account of the Main Drainage Rate Collection.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That a Cheque for £13,453 8s. 6d., being the amount of the Main Drainage Precept on the Parish of St. George, Hanover-square, for the year ending 1st August last, be drawn on the Main Drainage Rate Collection Account at the Bank of London, and paid over to the Main Drainage Account at the Bank of England.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the sum of £500 be transferred, by way of Loan, from the General Current Account of the Board to the Finsbury Park Account, the latter Account being charged with the current rate of interest until the amount shall be repaid.

5. **Resolved**, on the **motion** of Mr. Dalton—That No. 5, on the paper of business for this day, be now considered.

The Board then proceeded to consider further as to issuing the Precepts for the ordinary expenses of the Board, for the year 1866.

The Clerk laid before the Board a statement, intituled, "Estimates of the sums required to be raised by the Board from the several Parishes, Districts, and Parts, for the year ending the 31st December, 1866," and other documents containing details and particulars relative thereto.

He also laid before the Board a statement, showing the annual value of the property in the City of London, and other parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," based upon the County Rate basis for the respective Counties of Middlesex, Surrey, and Kent, and also based upon the following Rates relating to the parts within the said Metropolis in which there is no County Rate, as follows—

PARTS.	RATES.
City of London,	Sewers Rate for the City of London,
Liberty of Her Majesty's Tower of London,	Liberty Rate of Tower of London.

It was **moved** by Mr. Dalton, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the several columns in the said Statement headed—

"Rateable Annual Value of Property, as per County Rate Assessment or like "Estimate;

"Amount of Rate at 1d. in the £;

"Credits—

"Approximate Surplus of Estimate for 1865, £8,000, and

"Amounts in Credit, as per last Estimate, £1,070 7s. 4d. = £9,070 7s. 4d.

"Expenses of the Board—

"Sewerage and Drainage—Sums required for Works, including Working "Expenses of Pumping Stations, &c.

"Metropolis Improvements—Contributions by the Board to Minor Improve- "ments;

" General Purposes—
" Salaries, Wages, &c., including ordinary Law and Parliamentary Expenses,
" Printing, Stationary, Lithography, Mathematical Instruments, Maps,
" Plans, Rent, Taxes, Postage, and Petty Incidentals;
" Expenses under Sale of Gas Acts;
" Sums required under Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act;
" Repayment of Loans, and Interest on Mortgage Debts of the Board—
" 12th Instalment and Interest on Balance of Loan of £140,000 from Clergy
" Mutual Assurance Society;
" Loans for Metropolis Improvements—£300,000 from Bank of England,
" £34,000 and £50,000 from Clergy Mutual Assurance Society;
" Amount to meet Repayment of Principal;
" Interest;
" 1st Instalment for Interest on Loan of £616,000 from Bank of England,
" Contingencies—Compensation Allowances to late Officers;
" Total;
" Mortgage Debts, &c., of late Metropolitan Commissioners of Sewers—
" Amount to meet repayment of Principal,
" Interest on Loans, and Annuities,
" Total;
" Total Charge for the Year;
" Amount required from each Parish, District, or Part after deducting Available Credits;
" Rate in the £ on Rental (approximately);
" Amounts still in Credit, after allowing for Expenditure of the Current Year;" be respectively approved and adopted.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That this Board do, and they do hereby, ascertain the sums which ought, in their judgment, to be charged upon the City of London and the several parts of the Metropolis, as defined by the "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," for defraying the expenses of the said Board in the execution of the said Act, and the Acts amending the same, and the "Metropolitan Houseless Poor Act, 1864," and also the sums which ought, in their judgment, to be charged upon the several parts of the Metropolis, and other parts, charged with Mortgages, Debts and Liabilities at the expiration of the Act of the 11th and 12th years of Her Majesty, chapter 112, and which were, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," included in the several separate Sewerage Districts, for payment of the said Mortgages, Debts, and Liabilities which, at and immediately before the determination and expiration of the said "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848," were a charge upon and payable out of the Rates authorized to be levied thereunder, and which said Mortgages, Debts and Liabilities were and are, by virtue of the said "Metropolis Management Act, 1855," charged on the said parts of the Metropolis, and such other parts, respectively, for the year ending 31st December, 1866, under and pursuant to the said Acts; and ordered that such sums be assessed and they are hereby assessed, as shown by the Schedule hereto; and that Precepts under the Common Seal of the Board do issue for obtaining payment thereof.

SCHEDULE OF THE SUMS TO BE CHARGED ON THE PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS, RESPECTIVELY, ABOVE REFERRED TO.

PARISHES, DISTRICTS, OR PARTS.	Expenses of the Board.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	TOTAL.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
City of London—The whole	13,680 19 2	...	...	13,680 19 2
Saint Marylebone—The whole of the Parish	11,260 14 2	...	11,260 14 2	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	...	13 8 6	13 8 6	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	...	323 8 0	323 8 0	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	...	2 3 2	2 3 2	
That part of the Parish included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	...	0 5 4	0 5 4	
	11,260 14 2	339 5 0	...	11,599 19 2
Saint Pancras—The whole of the Parish	9,724 3 9	...	9,724 3 9	
That part of the Parish included in the former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	...	1 0 0	1 0 0	
That part of the Parish included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District	...	267 10 8	267 10 8	
	9,724 3 9	268 10 8	...	9,992 14 5
Lambeth—The whole of the Parish	6,694 9 1	3,049 14 7	...	9,744 3 8
St. George Hanover-square—The whole of the Parish	11,375 18 4	...	11,375 18 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District	...	17 2 7	17 2 7	
That part of the Parish included in the former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District	...	359 14 2	359 14 2	
	11,375 18 4	376 16 9		11,752 15 1
Islington, St. Mary—The whole of the Parish	8,012 10 7	38 8 11	...	8,050 19 6
Shoreditch, St. Leonard—The whole of the Parish	4,011 19 6	22 2 8	...	4,034 2 2
Carried forward £				68,855 13 2

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Expenses of the Board.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -				68,855 13 2
Paddington—The whole Parish - - - - -	7,817 12 1	...	...	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District - -	...	37 14 9	...	7,855 6 10
Saint Matthew Bethnal Green—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - - -	1,976 0 0	224 19 4	...	2,200 19 4
Saint Mary Newington, Surrey—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - - -	2,527 9 4	1,182 1 11	...	3,709 11 3
Camberwell—The whole of the Parish - - -	2,644 15 1	...	2,644 15 1	
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District -	...	1,298 15 5	1,298 15 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	19 10 5	19 10 5	
	2,644 15 1	1,318 5 10	...	3,963 0 11
Saint James, Westminster—The whole of the Parish	4,910 17 9	...	4,910 17 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	112 1 10	112 1 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	1 13 10	1 13 10	
	4,910 17 9	113 15 8	...	5,024 13 5
St. James and St. John Clerkenwell—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	2,577 0 0	18 18 7	...	2,595 18 7
Chelsea—The whole of the Parish - - -	3,137 9 1	...	3,137 9 1	
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District -	...	48 19 4	48 19 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District - -	...	16 13 3	16 13 3	
	3,137 9 1	65 12 7	...	3,203 1 8
Kensington, St. Mary Abbot's—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	5,124 11 10	...	5,124 11 10	
Carried forward - - - £	5,124 11 10	...	5,124 11 10	97,408 5 2

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Expenses of the Board.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	5,124 11 10	...	5,124 11 10	97,408 5 2
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District -	...	242 3 11	242 3 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District - -	...	7 2 0	7 2 0	
	5,124 11 10	249 5 11	...	5,373 17 9
Saint Luke, Middlesex—The whole of the Parish -	1,979 2 0	14 7 4	...	1,993 9 4
Saint George-the-Martyr, Southwark—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - -	1,546 10 6	775 11 7	...	2,322 2 1
Bermondsey—The whole of the Parish - -	1,592 9 5	819 2 7	...	2,411 12 0
Saint George-in-the-East—The whole of the Parish	2,083 17 4	...	2,083 17 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District -	...	255 0 4	255 0 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Lower Wapping Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	3 12 3	3 12 3	
That part of the Parish included in former Hermitage-street Level Sewerage District . - - - - - -	...	2 0 2	2 0 2	
	2,083 17 4	260 12 9	...	2,344 10 1
Saint Martin-in-the-Fields—The whole of the Parish	2,833 16 7	...	2,833 16 7	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	2 17 10	2 17 10	
That part of the Parish included in former Eastern Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	3 3 5	3 3 5	
	2,833 16 7	6 1 3		2,839 17 10
Hamlet of Mile End Old Town—The whole of the Hamlet - - - - - - - -	2,011 2 10	323 18 3	...	2,335 1 1
Carried forward - - - £	...	...	...	117,028 15 4

Parishes, Districts, or Parts.	Expenses of the Board.	Mortgages, Annuities, Securities, Debts, and Liabilities under the "Metropolitan Sewers Act, 1848."	Total.	
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -				117,028 15 4
Woolwich—The whole of the Parish - - -	809 0 9	...	...	809 0 9
Rotherhithe—The whole of the Parish - -	877 5 5	398 3 7	...	1,275 9 0
Saint John Hampstead—The whole of the Parish -	1,515 4 2	...	...	
That part of the Parish included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District - -	...	2 15 10	...	
That part of the Parish included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	5 1 8	...	
That part of the Parish included in former Holborn Division Sewerage District -	...	15 5 3	...	
	1,515 4 2	23 2 9	...	1,538 6 11
Whitechapel District—				
Saint Mary, Whitechapel—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	1,348 10 2	...	1,348 10 2	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - -	...	229 15 6	229 15 6	
			1,578 5 8	
Christchurch, Spitalfields—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	499 0 10	75 11 1	574 11 11	
Saint Botolph Without Aldgate—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - -	483 11 5	...	483 11 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - -	...	83 11 6	83 11 6	
That part of the Parish included in former Tower Hill Level - - - - -	...	0 11 0	0 11 0	
			567 13 11	
Holy Trinity Minories—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	70 17 11	1 0 4	71 18 3	
Saint Katherine—The whole of the Precinct -	184 4 1	...	184 4 1	
Carried forward - - - £	2,586 4 5	390 9 5	2,976 13 10	120,651 12 0

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	2,586 4 5	390 9 5	2,976 13 10	120,651 12 0
Mile End New Town, Hamlet of—The whole of the Hamlet - - - - -	166 13 1	30 10 3	197 3 4	
Liberty of Norton Folgate—The whole of the Liberty - - - - - - -	94 18 10	0 13 8	95 12 6	
Old Artillery Ground—The whole - -	49 12 8	8 12 11	58 5 7	
Tower—The whole of the District - - -	35 15 1	0 9 4	36 4 5	
	2,933 4 1	430 15 7	...	3,363 19 8
Westminster District—				
Saint Margaret, and Saint John the Evangelist—The whole of the Parishes -	3,563 5 1	...	3,563 5 1	
That part of the Parish of St. Margaret included in former Ranelagh Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	3 17 2	3 17 2	
That part of the Parishes of St Margaret and Saint John the Evangelist included in former Western Division of the Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	106 14 7	106 14 7	
	3,563 5 1	110 11 9	...	3,673 16 10
Greenwich District—				
Saint Paul Deptford, including Hatcham—The whole of the Parish - - - -	1,350 7 3	...	1,350 7 3	
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District -	...	303 0 11	303 0 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Greenwich Sewerage District - -	...	254 4 6	254 4 6	
Saint Nicholas, Deptford—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	173 10 7	93 14 10	1,907 12 8 267 5 5	
Greenwich—The whole of the Parish - -	1,340 3 0	879 3 3	2,219 6 3	
	2,864 0 10	1,530 3 6	...	4,394 4 4
Wandsworth District—				
Clapham—The whole of the Parish - -	1,124 13 2	513 5 6	1,637 18 8	
Carried forward - - - £	1,124 13 2	513 5 6	1,637 18 8	132,083 12 10

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	1,124 13 2	513 5 6	1,637 18 8	132,083 12 10
Tooting Graveney—The whole of the Parish -	105 4 11	...	105 4 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District -	...	8 1 3	8 1 3	
			113 6 2	
Streatham—The whole of the Parish - -	601 17 4	...	601 17 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District -	...	230 17 11	230 17 11	
			832 15 3	
Saint Mary Battersea, excluding Penge—The whole of the Parish, excluding Penge -	895 2 7	492 2 7	1,387 5 2	
Wandsworth—The whole of the Parish - - -	608 16 3	...	608 16 3	
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District -	...	21 19 7	21 19 7	
			630 15 10	
Putney, including Roehampton—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	483 0 8	...	483 0 8	
	3,818 14 11	1,266 6 10	...	5,085 1 9
Hackney District—				
Hackney—The whole of the Parish - -	3,379 17 2	...	3,379 17 2	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - -	...	109 15 11	109 15 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Hackney Brook Level Sewerage District - - - - - - - -	...	312 0 3	312 0 3	
			3,801 13 4	
Saint Mary, Stoke Newington—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	488 15 8	2 7 2	491 2 10	
	3,868 12 10	424 3 4	...	4,292 16 2
Saint Giles District—				
Saint Giles and Saint George, Bloomsbury—The whole of the Parishes - -	2,963 14 0	...	2,963 14 0	
Carried forward - - - £	2,963 14 0	...	2,963 14 0	141,461 10 9

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	2,963 14 0	...	2,963 14 0	141,461 10 9
That part of the Parishes included in former Eastern Division of Westminster Sewers Sewerage District - -	...	1 13 8	1 13 8	
That part of the Parishes included in the former Holborn Division Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	69 5 2	69 5 2	
	2,963 14 0	70 18 10	...	3,034 12 10
Holborn District—				
Saint Andrew and Saint George-the-Martyr—The whole of the Parishes - - -	1,507 15 9	61 0 7	1,568 16 4	
Saint Sepulchre, Middlesex—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	188 0 7	1 11 3	189 11 10	
The Liberty of Saffron-hill, Hatton-garden, Ely-rents and Ely-place—The whole of the Liberty, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London - - - - - - - -	336 11 1	13 16 9	350 7 10	
The Liberty of Glasshouse-yard—The whole of the Liberty, except that part rated by the Commissioners of Sewers for the City of London - - - - - - -	44 2 0	0 8 10	44 10 10	
	2,076 9 5	76 17 5	...	2,153 6 10
Strand District—				
St. Anne, Soho—The whole of the Parish -	1,027 16 5	1 7 2	1,029 3 7	
St. Paul, Covent Garden—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	520 16 0	0 13 0	521 9 0	
Precinct of the Savoy—The whole of the Precinct - - - - - - - - -	97 6 0	0 2 7	97 8 7	
St. Mary-le-Strand—The whole of the Parish	189 14 7	0 4 5	189 19 0	
St. Clement Danes—The whole of the Parish	1,016 13 9	1 5 5	1,017 19 2	
Liberty of the Rolls—The whole of the Liberty	199 4 11	7 8 7	206 13 6	
	3,051 11 8	11 1 2	...	3,062 12 10
Fulham District—				
St. Peter and St. Paul, Hammersmith—The whole of the Parish - - - - -	1,089 12 1	...	1,089 12 1	
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District - - - - -	...	812 19 3	812 19 3	
			1,902 11 4	
Carried forward - - - £	1,089 12 1	812 19 3	1,902 11 4	149,712 3 3

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	1,089 12 1	819 19 3	1,902 11 4	149,712 3 3
Fulham—The whole of the Parish - -	699 11 9		699 11 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Counter's Creek Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	33 10 11	33 10 11	
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District - - - - -	...	333 1 1	333 1 1	
			1,066 3 9	
	1,789 3 10	1,179 11 3	...	2,968 15 1
Limehouse District—				
St. Anne Limehouse—The whole of the Parish	911 3 4		911 3 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	51 19 9	51 19 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Limehouse Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -		27 14 5	27 14 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Upper Limehouse Level Sewerage District - - - -	...	1 15 0	1 15 0	
			992 12 6	
Saint John Wapping—The whole of the Parish	449 18 9	...	449 18 9	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	44 2 4	44 2 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Lower Wapping Level Sewerage District - - - - - -	...	1 6 0	1 6 0	
That part of the Parish included in former Hermitage-street Level Sewerage District - - - -	...	0 8 10	0 8 10	
			495 15 11	
St. Paul Shadwell—The whole of the Parish -	446 4 6	...	446 4 6	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping, and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	51 0 6	51 0 6	
Carried forward - - - £	1,807 6 7	178 6 10	497 5 0	152,680 18 4

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	1,807 6 7	178 6 10	497 5 0	152,680 18 4
That part of the Parish included in former Lower Wapping Level Sewerage District - - - - - -	...	0 16 5	0 16 5	
			498 1 5	
Hamlet of Ratcliff — The whole of the Hamlet - - - - - - -	643 9 7	94 10 5	738 0 0	
	2,450 16 2	273 13 8	...	2,724 9 10
Poplar District—				
All Saints Poplar—The whole of the Parish -	2,220 18 4	...	2,220 18 4	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District -	...	25 5 1	25 5 1	
			2,246 3 5	
Saint Mary Stratford-le-Bow—The whole of the Parish - - - - - -	502 8 5	...	502 8 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Hackney Brook Level Sewerage District - - - - - - -	...	4 2 3	4 2 3	
			506 10 8	
St. Leonard Bromley—The whole of the Parish	848 19 3	...	848 19 3	
That part of the Parish included in former Spitalfields, Wapping and Nightingale-lane Level Sewerage District -	...	6 15 10	6 15 10	
			855 15 1	
	3,572 6 0	36 3 2	...	3,608 9 2
St. Saviour's District—				
Christchurch—The whole of the Parish - -	676 19 4	395 1 5	1,072 0 9	
Saint Saviour (including the Liberty of the Clink)—The whole of the Parish - -	1,081 0 3	606 12 1	1,687 12 4	
	1,757 19 7	1,001 13 6	...	2,759 13 1
Plumstead District—				
Charlton next Woolwich—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - -	446 3 5		446 3 5	
Carried forward - - - £	446 3 5	...	446 3 5	161,773 10 5

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	446 3 5	...	446 3 5	161,773 10 5
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	101 10 0	101 10 0	
			547 13 5	
Plumstead—The whole of the Parish -	531 18 7	...	531 18 7	
Eltham—The whole of the Parish - -	194 5 5	...	194 5 5	
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	6 15 10	6 15 10	
			201 1 3	
Lee—The whole of the Parish - - -	513 15 0	...	513 15 0	
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	219 6 10	219 6 10	
			733 1 10	
Kidbrooke—The whole of the Liberty -	123 14 6	...	123 14 6	
That part of the Liberty included in former Greenwich Sewerage District -	...	19 14 1	19 14 1	
That part of the Liberty included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	26 14 0	26 14 0	
	1,809 16 11	374 0 9	170 2 7	2,183 17 8
Lewisham District—				
Lewisham, including Sydenham Chapelry -	1,790 8 1	...	1,790 8 1	
That part of the Parish included in former Greenwich Sewerage District - -	...	212 9 8	212 9 8	
That part of the Parish included in former Ravensbourne Sewerage District -	...	1,136 9 11	1,136 9 11	
			3,139 7 8	
Penge—The whole of the Hamlet - - -	455 18 9		455 18 9	
	2,246 6 10	1,348 19 7	...	3,595 6 5
Saint Olave District—				
Saint Olave—The whole of the Parish - - -	615 11 10	315 13 8	931 5 6	
Saint Thomas Southwark—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - -	50 5 7	28 0 9	78 6 4	
Carried forward - - - £	665 17 5	343 14 5	1,009 11 10	167,552 14 6

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	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Brought forward - -	665 17 5	343 14 5	1,009 11 10	167,552 14 6
Saint John Horselydown—The whole of the Parish - - - - - - - - -	508 19 1	258 3 11	767 3 0	
	1,174 16 6	601 18 4	...	1,776 14 10
The Charter House - - - - - - - -	20 18 5	0 3 5	...	21 1 10
Gray's Inn - - - - - - - - - -	136 13 4	6 4 11	...	142 18 3
Parishes and Parts without the Limits of the Metropolis, as defined by the Act—				
Willesden—				
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District - - - - - - - - -	...	21 0 0	...	21 0 0
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District - - - - - - - - -	...	195 2 0	...	195 2 0
Ealing—				
That part of the Parish included in former Fulham and Hammersmith Sewerage District - - - - - - - - -	...	54 1 8	...	54 1 8
Extra Parochial—				
Lambeth Palace - - - - - - - -	...	10 17 9		
Deptford Dockyard - - - - - -	...	6 4 6		
Borough Market (Tolls) - - - - -	...	2 9 8		
		19 11 11	...	19 11 11
Chiswick—				
The whole of the Parish - - - - -	...	332 9 1	...	332 9 1
Croydon—				
That part of the Parish included in former Surrey and Kent Sewerage District - -	...	42 5 1	...	42 5 1
Richmond—The whole of the Parish - - -	...	167 9 1	...	167 9 1
			Total £	170,325 8 3

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the several parties to whom such Precepts shall be directed, be required to pay the sum or sums therein mentioned, to the Bank of London, Treasurer and Banker of the Board, on or before the 25th day of June, now next ensuing.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Dalton—That the said Precepts be submitted to the Board on Friday the 5th January, now next.

7. Mr. Phillips brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE STREETS COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
20th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in exercise of the authority vested in them by the Resolution of the Board of the 17th February, 1865, (No. 3), they have drawn the following Cheques, for payments in connection with properties required for the formation of the new Street from Blackfriars to the Mansion House, and that the said Cheques have been drawn on the Thames Embankment (North) Account, in compliance with your Resolution of the 11th November, 1864, (No. 4).

Re Neve (No. 25, Poultry)—Leasehold interest—	
Purchase-money (Mr. William Tanner Neve) - -	£22,000 0 0
Surveyor's Costs (Mr. William Tanner Neve) - -	200 0 0
Solicitors' Costs (Messrs. Neve, Wilson and Farrar) -	37 2 8
Re Smart (No. 13, Old Fish-street)—	
Purchase-money (Rev. Newton Smart) - -	6,000 0 0
Interest - (ditto) - - -	147 10 0
Re Christ's Hospital (8, Fish-street-hill)—	
Surveyor's Charges of Reference (Mr. Pownall) - -	18 18 0
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. Shaw)—Claim settled at £840 -	15 15 0
Re Amos Burton (Addle-hill)—	
Surveyor's charges (Mr. Shaw)—Claim settled at £3,000	26 5 0

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
J. S. PHILLIPS.
JOHN SAVAGE.

The Report having been read,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Phillips—That it be received.

8. Mr. Freeman brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE MAIN DRAINAGE COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
20th December, 1865.

Your Committee have to report that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 20th October last, (No. 6), they have had under consideration further matters in connection with the Fire Brigade, which have been investigated by the Sub-Committee, and in regard to which it is necessary that arrangements should be made before the 1st January next, on which day the duties of the Board, in protecting the Metropolis from fire, will commence.

In the first place, they have had their attention directed to the desirability of continuing the hired Engines at present in use. It appears that five land steam engines are now hired by the Fire Engine Establishment, at £12 a month each, and that there is also a powerful steam engine hired of Messrs. Easton and Amos, at the rate of £21 a month, which

is kept on board the iron barge off Rotherhithe. Your Committee deem it advisable that the Contracts for the hire of these engines should be continued, on the present terms, and that it should be referred to the Solicitor to carry out the necessary arrangements.

Your Committee have also had under consideration a suggestion for Telegraphic communication between the Offices of the Board and the Station in Watling-street. They think it expedient that there should exist a ready means of communication between Captain Shaw and the other Officers of the Board, as questions are continually arising on which it is neccessary to have recourse to such communication. They have had before them Tenders from the London District Telegraph Company, and the Universal Private Telegraph Company, for this purpose, the former Company offering to put up and maintain communication for £20 a year, the latter for £27. Your Committee are of opinion that the Tender of the London District Telegraph Company should be accepted, for the sum of £20 a year, to include the erection and rental of wire, hire of instruments, all necessary repairs to the same, and incidental expenses, and that the agreement should be determinable on three months' notice.

The attention of your Committee has been called to the necessity of some arrangement being made in respect to repairs and other matters of urgent requirement, exclusive of the regular supplies of stores. It appears that the custom at present is to employ and deal with certain persons, for repairs and small stores, upon the order of the Chief Officer, and your Committee are of opinion that it is desirable this arrangement should continue, pending final arrangements.

Your Committee have ascertained from Captain Shaw that men, on entering the service of the present establishment, have been accustomed to sign a book, containing the terms on which they undertake to serve. Your Committee think that the same course should be adopted by the Board, and they accordingly submit a form which has been prepared for that purpose by the Solicitor, and which they suggest should be printed in a book, to be signed by the men on their entering the service of the Board. Your Committee have also ascertained that the men give security each in the sum of £25, for their clothes and the due performance of their duties, and they are of opinion that this practice should be continued. The Solicitor has prepared a Form of Security accordingly, which they now beg to submit for approval.

Your Committee, in their last Report on the subject of the Brigade, which was presented to your Honorable Board on the 8th instant, (No. 5), while recommending the appointment of four Medical Officers, namely one for each of the four Districts of the Metropolis, expressed their opinion "that it would tend very much to convenience, if the duty of "examining Candidates were, as now, to devolve upon one Medical Officer, say the Senior "for the time being, instead of being divided amongst the four" proposed to be appointed, and they recommended Mr. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, for appointment as Examining Surgeon, in addition to his having charge of the Southern District, in which he resides. The matter was, however, referred back to your Committee for reconsideration. They have accordingly again directed their attention thereto, but are still of opinion that the course recommended by them, namely the appointment of *one* Examining Surgeon for the whole Force, would be in every respect the most convenient for the purposes of the Board; indeed, the further discussion which took place at the Meeting of your Committee, on the subject, has tended to show the desirability of the adoption of that course. They therefore venture again to express their opinion that there should be but one Examining Surgeon for the Brigade, and that, in consideration of

the long and valuable services (extending over a period of more than thirty years) of Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, and the experience he has acquired in the examination of Candidates, he should be appointed to the office, in addition to his having charge of the men stationed in the District South of the Thames. Your Committee think Mr. Browne should be paid at the rate of 10s. 6d. for the examination of each Candidate referred to him for that purpose; that, in addition to the first examination, he should be required to examine the men at such other times, and to furnish such Certificates in connection therewith as may from time to time be required of him, the whole being included in the above-mentioned fee of 10s. 6d. As regards the other three Medical appointments, your Committee would recommend that Advertisements be inserted in the "Lancet," and "Medical Times," inviting Candidates for the offices.

Your Committee have had under consideration the 31st clause of the Fire Brigade Act, which provides that information shall be sent in the morning of each day, by post or otherwise, to all the Insurance Offices contributing for the purposes of the Act, of all fires which have taken place within the Metropolis since the preceding Return. In order to carry out this provision, your Committee have arranged that Captain Shaw shall furnish to this Office every morning, a Return of the Fires which shall have occurred in the Metropolis during the preceding twenty-four hours, and that information thereof shall be immediately forwarded, by post, to all the Insurance Offices. Your Committee have also had before them forms of Account Books, Returns, &c., prepared by the Clerk and Accountant, for use for the purposes of the Brigade, which they have approved and directed to be prepared by the 1st January next. In connection with this, your Committee find that about £100 is disbursed weekly by Captain Shaw for calls, tolls, refreshments and other expenses incurred at fires, all of which have to be immediately dealt with; a careful account of all these payments has been kept and periodically certified to by Captain Shaw. They are of opinion that this plan should be continued, and that the certificate of the Chief Officer in connection with these payments, should be laid before the Finance Committee, as a voucher for the reimbursement to him of such expenses, (accompanied, if need be, by the production of the books containing the details of the amounts), so that the amount in his hands may not be subject to fluctuation. It will be necessary to make arrangements for an advance to Captain Shaw for this purpose, so that on the 1st January he may be in funds for carrying on his operations, and it will be necessary to make also a further advance to the Accountant to meet the payment of wages to the men.

They have also had before them the replies of the various Parishes, &c., in which it was proposed that temporary stations should be maintained for six months from 1st January next, to the proposition made to them, viz., that they should continue to maintain the said temporary stations for that period, on the Board reimbursing to them their actual outlay in respect thereof. Islington is the only Parish which has declined to undertake this duty. One other of the proposed Stations, namely, that at Hornsey New Town, is without the jurisdiction of the Board, and cannot, therefore, be maintained by them.

The conclusions at which your Committee have arrived on the various matters referred to in the foregoing Report are embodied in the following Resolutions, which they now beg to submit for the approval of your Honorable Board—

That the use of the five land steam engines, and the floating steam engine at Rotherhithe, at present hired by the London Fire Engine Establishment, be continued by the Board on the same terms, for the present, and that it be referred to the Solicitor to carry out the arrangement.

That there be a line of Telegraph between the Offices of the Board and the Station in Watling-street, and that the Tender of the London District Telegraph Company for the same, at the sum of £20 a year, to include the erection and rental of wire, hire of instruments, all necessary repairs to the same, and incidental expenses, be accepted, the arrangement to be determinable on three months' notice.

That, in respect of repairs and other matters of urgency required at the different Stations of the Brigade, Captain Shaw be instructed to follow the same course as at present.

That the form now submitted, embodying the conditions upon which the men are to serve the Board, be printed in a book, to be signed by the men on entering the service of the Board.

That the men be required, each, to give security in the sum of £25, for the clothes, and the due performance of their duties, and that the form now submitted be adopted for that purpose.

That Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Medical Officer of the Southern District, and Examining Surgeon to the whole Brigade; and that, in addition to the 20s. per annum for each man in his District, he be paid 10s. 6d. for the examination of each Candidate referred to him for that purpose, and that for this sum, he be required to make such further examinations, and to furnish such Certificates in connection therewith, as may, from time to time, be required by him.

That advertisements be inserted in the "Lancet" and "Medical Times," inviting Candidates for appointment as Medical Officers in the other three Districts.

That the proposed system of repayment of disbursements be adopted; and that an advance be made to Captain Shaw for the purpose of meeting these expenses.

That a sum be advanced to the Accountant, to meet the payment of wages to the men.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ROBT. FREEMAN.
HENRY BIDGOOD.

The Form of Undertaking to be signed by the men, and the Form of Security referred to in the Report, were laid before the Board.

The Report having been read and received,

It was moved by Major Lyon, seconded by Mr. Lammin, and

Resolved—That the Letter from Mr. Ellis, which was laid before the Main Drainage Committee at their Meeting on Wednesday last, together with the Clerk's reply thereto, be now read.

The letters having been read, the Engineer stated to the Board the particulars of his interview with Mr. Hopkins, on Friday, the 15th instant.

It was moved by Major Lyon, seconded, and

Resolved—That the Engineer be requested to put his statement into writing, and that it, together with the letters now read, be entered on the Minutes of the proceedings of this day; and they are entered accordingly—

76, Warwick-square, Belgravia,
19th December, 1865.

John Pollard, Esq.,
Clerk to the Metropolitan Board of Works.

Sir,

I was much surprised this morning, on attending with Mr. Hopkins at Spring Gardens, to find that there was no Meeting of the Main Drainage Committee, or any time fixed for the further consideration of the terms upon which the Concession of the Southern Sewage should be granted to me, notwithstanding that a Meeting of the Main Drainage Committee is, as I have learnt from the Agenda paper, to take place to-morrow.

The Main Drainage Committee adjourned the further consideration of this matter from the 5th instant, for a fortnight (to this day), and not having received notice of any further adjournment, I attended at Spring Gardens in accordance with the instructions received at the last Meeting.

I shall feel obliged by your laying this communication before the Main Drainage Committee, at their next Meeting, in order that they may determine when it will be convenient to them that we should again wait upon them.

I regret this delay, as Mr. Hopkins informs me he will not now be able (from previous engagements) to attend any appointment of the Committee until after the 28th instant.

I am, &c.,

(Signed) THOMAS ELLIS.

Spring Gardens,
21st December, 1865.

Sir,

In accordance with your request, I laid before the Main Drainage Committee of this Board your letter of the 19th instant, relative to the postponement of the consideration of the subject of the terms upon which the proposed Concession of the Southern Sewage should be granted to you.

The Committee desire me to remind you that they adjourned on the 5th instant, with a view to Mr. Hopkins having an interview with the Engineer, and submitting to him the details of his Estimate for the works proposed to be carried out. It appears that Mr. Hopkins did not call upon the Engineer until last Friday, the 15th instant, when he stated that he would supply the details referred to in a day or two, and the Engineer then informed him that, as there would be only two clear days before the day named for the next Meeting of the Committee, it would be impossible for him (the Engineer), after receiving the details, to examine them and prepare a Report in time for the Committee, and he then arranged with Mr. Hopkins that he would obtain a postponement of the matter. Under these circumstances, the Meeting of the Committee was put off, and it is to be regretted that you should have had the trouble to attend here on Tuesday last, but I anticipated that Mr. Hopkins would acquaint you with the adjournment of the Committee, otherwise I should have communicated with you, as on other occasions, when you have been requested to attend, but I am directed to acquaint you that they will meet on Tuesday, the 2nd of January next, when they will be prepared to see you.

I am, &c.,

Thos. Ellis, Esq.,
76, Warwick-square, Belgravia, S.W.

(Signed) JOHN POLLARD,
Clerk of the Board.

The Engineer's Statement.

On Wednesday, the 13th December, 1865, I received a letter from Mr. Hopkins, (Mr. Ellis's Engineer,) asking me to name a day when I could meet him. I fixed the following Friday, the 15th instant, and met Mr. Hopkins on the afternoon of that day. Mr. Hopkins admitted at that interview that he had no detailed Estimates; that Mr. Ellis's Estimates were altogether insufficient to go to Parliament with, and that, before so doing, proper Surveys must be made, and Estimates in detail framed—a work which would fully occupy three or four months, and that, consequently, it would be impossible to go to Parliament this Session. Mr. Hopkins stated that he had assumed a sectional area of the Main Outfall Sewer, and had formed an approximate estimate of one yard forward of that work, and he offered to forward to me a copy of his figures in a day or two. I replied that I should be happy to consider and report upon any figures Mr. Hopkins thought it desirable to send, but that, in that case, I should apply for a postponement of the next Tuesday's Committee, as there would not be time for me to report upon the figures to that Committee. Mr. Hopkins replied that he could not do so without Mr. Ellis's authority, and I then told him I would ask the Chairman to adjourn the Committee. I received Mr. Hopkins's figures about mid-day on Monday, the 18th instant, and it would therefore not have been possible for me to have made my report to the Committee on the following day, had it been held.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Richardson, and

Resolved—That the use of the five land steam Engines, and the floating steam Engine at Rotherhithe, at present hired by the London Fire Engine Establishment, be continued by the Board on the same terms as now; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to carry out the arrangement.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That there be a line of Telegraph between the Offices of the Board and the Station in Watling-street, and that the Tender of the London District Telegraph Company for the same, at the sum of £20 a year, to include the erection and rental of wire, hire of instruments, all necessary repairs to the same, and incidental expenses, be accepted, the arrangement to be determinable on three months' notice; and that it be referred to the Solicitor to prepare the necessary Agreement.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Clark, and

Resolved—That, in respect of ordinary repairs to engines, &c., and other matters of urgency required at the different Stations of the Brigade, Captain Shaw be authorized to follow the same course as at present.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the form now submitted, embodying the conditions upon which the men are to serve the Board, be printed in a book; and that the men, on entering the service of the Board, be required to sign the same.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brushfield, and

Resolved—That the men be required each to give personal security in the sum of £25, for their clothes and the due performance of their duties; and that the Form of Security now submitted be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Brooker, and

Resolved—That Mr. C. F. Browne, the Medical Officer of the present Establishment, be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, Medical Officer of the Southern District, and Examining Surgeon to the whole Brigade; and that, in addition to the 20s. per annum for each man in his District, he be paid 10s. 6d. for the examination of each Candidate referred to him for that purpose, and that for this sum he be required to make such further examinations, and to furnish such certificates in connection therewith, as may, from time to time, be required of him.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That Advertisements be inserted in the "Lancet" and "Medical Times," inviting applications from Candidates for appointment as Medical Officers in the other three Districts, and that the election do take place at the Meeting of the Board to be held on Friday, the 5th January next.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That so much of the Report as relates to the Daily Returns to be made of the Fires which shall have happened during the preceding twenty-four hours, be approved and adopted.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That Cheques be now drawn, in favour of the Accountant, for the sums of £300 and £450 respectively, viz.—£300 on account of expenses to be incurred in connection with Fires, and £450 for Wages; and Cheques were drawn on the General Account of the Board accordingly.

It was moved by Mr. Freeman, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—That it be intimated to the Parishes which have agreed to maintain

temporary stations for six months from the 1st January next, that the Board are willing to undertake all control and responsibility with regard to the men, if the Parishes will consent to act as the Agents of the Board for the payment of the men, and other expenses incurred in maintaining the said Stations.

9. Mr. Collinson brought up a Report, as follows—

REPORT OF THE THAMES EMBANKMENT COMMITTEE.

Spring Gardens,
20th December, 1865.

Your Committee beg to report that, in accordance with the Resolutions of your Honorable Board of the 24th February, 1865, (No. 2), and the 5th August, 1864, (No. 33), they are proceeding with the acquisition of the several properties required for the purposes of the Thames Embankment Acts, 1862, 1863, and 1864, and that it is necessary to draw Cheques, as follows, for payments in connection with the undermentioned claims—

Thames Embankment (North).

Re Steward, (Cannon Row)—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. George Pownall)—Award of Mr. Norton, £7,618 15s.	£84	0	0
Re Robins, (Scotland Yard)—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. George Pownall)—Claim settled at £4,720	42	0	0
Re Luer, (Arundel Wharf)—			
Surveyor's Charges (Mr. George Pownall)—Claim settled at £3,750	31	10	0

Southern Embankment.

Re Jennings, (Palace Road)—			
Surveyor's Charges, (Mr. George Pownall)—Claim settled at £22,500	105	0	0

Your Committee accordingly recommend—

That Cheques for these amounts be drawn on the Thames Embankment (North) Account, and Southern Embankment Account, respectively.

Your Committee have also considered the Engineer's Report on the application of Mr. T. W. Rammel and Sir Charles Fox and Son, for the sanction of the Board to the proposed works for carrying the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway under the Thames Embankment. Your Committee have conferred with your Solicitor on this subject, and, having ascertained from him that the Railway Company are compelled by their Act to pay all expenses which may be incurred by this Board, by reason of the works of the Company, and the preparation or examination of Plans or Designs, superintendence or otherwise, they recommend—

That the sanction of the Board be given to the proposed works, on condition that they be carried out under the supervision, and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company, and that the Company be required to pay the cost of supervision.

It appears to your Committee desirable that, in all future cases of this kind, the Engineer should examine the Acts of Parliament, before assent be given, and ascertain

whether the Board would actually incur any expenses of the character referred to, in order that the Companies may be required to comply with the Acts as regards indemnity to the Board, and they recommend—

That the Engineer be directed accordingly.

All which your Committee beg to submit.

(Signed) J. THWAITES.
ED. COLLINSON.
A. N. SHAW.

The Report having been read and received,

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Collinson—That Cheques be drawn in favour of Mr. George Pownall, on the Thames Embankment (North) Account, for £84, £42, and £31 10s., and on the Southern Embankment Account, for £105, mentioned in the Report of the Committee; and Cheques were drawn on those Accounts, respectively.

It was moved by Mr. Collinson—That the proposed works for carrying the Waterloo and Whitehall Railway under the Thames Embankment, be sanctioned, on condition that the same be carried out under the superintendence and to the satisfaction of the Officers of the Board, and at the sole cost of the Company, and that the Company be required to pay the cost of supervision.

After discussion, the motion was withdrawn.

It was moved by Mr. Roche, seconded by Major Lyon, and

Resolved—That the Board disapprove of the Plans now submitted by the Company; and that a communication to that effect be addressed to the Company.

10. It was moved by Mr. Savage, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Moreland, and

Resolved—"That the Board, at its rising, do stand adjourned to Friday, the 5th January, 1866."

11. It was moved by Mr. Long, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Hows, and

Resolved—That the Streets Committee be requested to report forthwith on the proposed improvement of Windmill-street, Tabernacle-walk, &c., Finsbury.

12. The Clerk reported that, in consequence of what took place at the Meeting of the Board on the 8th instant, (No. 55), on the subject of printing the Annual Report, he had made inquiries as to the cheapest mode of printing the same, and had ascertained that Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman would be prepared to furnish 3,000 copies, in 8vo., at the rate of 1s. 3d. per copy, and that Messrs. John Smith and Son had expressed their willingness to print that number of copies, in the same size, for £87 10s., being at the rate of 7d. per copy. The Clerk also stated that if the Board would wait until the Report should be printed by Parliament, copies, in foolscap, might be obtained at about 9d. each; and he laid before the Board letters from Messrs. Brickhill and Bateman, Messrs. J. Smith and Son, and Mr. Hansard, dated, respectively, December 14th and 15th, 1865, to the effect above stated.

It was moved by Mr. Silas Taylor, pursuant to notice, seconded by Mr. Legg, and

Resolved—"That a sufficient number of copies of the Annual Report of the Proceedings of the Board for the year 1864-5, be printed, in order that each Member of the Vestries and District Boards of the Metropolis may be furnished with a copy."

Resolved—That the proposal of Messrs. John Smith and Son, for printing 3,000 copies of the Annual Report, for the sum of £87 10s., be accepted.

13. The Engineer reported that it would be desirable to lithograph, in connection with his Report on the Schemes affecting the Metropolis, to be brought before Parliament in the next Session, a Plan showing the lines of the proposed new Railways in the Metropolis, which would cost about £15.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Roche—That the Engineer be authorized to procure 250 copies of the Plan in question.

14. The Engineer reported that it became necessary for the Board to appoint a person to superintend the erection of the machinery at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station; that he considered the weekly wages of £5 would be a fair remuneration for the services to be performed; that he had received an application from Mr. George Usher, to be appointed as Superintendent, and that he believed him to be qualified to discharge the duties required.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Freeman—That Mr. George Usher be appointed, during the pleasure of the Board, to superintend the erection of the machinery at the Abbey Mills Pumping Station, at the weekly wages of £5.

15. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 22nd December, 1865, on the undermentioned works proposed to be executed by the following Vestries and District Boards—

LOCALITY OF WORK.	WORK APPLIED FOR.			WORKS RECOMMENDED.
	Length in feet.	Size.	Material.	
ST. MATTHEW, BETHNAL GREEN.				
Cranbrook-road, Green-street.	300	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
POPLAR.				
Billson-street, Cubitt-town .	510	12 inch	pipe	The same as applied for.
LEWISHAM.				
Proposed new road between Lewisham-road and Lewisham-hill	about 988 170	12 inch 9 ,,	pipe ,,	The 170 feet of 9-inch to be 12-inch pipes.
ST. PANCRAS.				
Queen-street, Kentish Town .	238	3′9″×2′6″	1 brick	The same as applied for.

Resolved—That the Report be approved, and that the said Vestries and District Boards be permitted to construct and execute the works therein recommended.

16. Read a Report, as follows—

Engineer's Department. Spring Gardens,
22nd December, 1865.

On letter from Mr. Galbraith, dated the 18th instant, submitting, for approval, an amended design for the elevation of a Viaduct proposed to be erected to carry the Kensington and Richmond Railway over the Dartmouth and Grove Roads, Hammersmith. (27 and 28 Vict., cap. 166.)

The design now submitted is in substitution of a design submitted by Mr. Galbraith on the 21st ultimo, and which he was required to amend by an Order of the Board of the 1st instant, (No. 13), so as to comply with the terms of a previous Order, (No. 14), of the 3rd ultimo.

The amended design now submitted, although generally in accordance with the terms of the Order of the Board of the 3rd ultimo, is not in its details such as I would recommend the Board to sanction. To expedite the settlement of the matter, I have prepared an elevation somewhat varied in matters of detail from that submitted by Mr. Galbraith, and to which I recommend that the Company be required to conform.

(Signed) J. W. BAZALGETTE,
Engineer.

Resolved—That the design submitted by the Engineer be approved and adopted; that the Company be allowed to construct the Railway Bridge in accordance therewith, and that they be required to indemnify this Board against all expenses specified in the 37th Section of the Act authorizing the construction of the railway.

17. Read a Report by the Engineer, dated 21st December, 1865, on a letter from Mr. Philip Wilkinson, appealing against the requirements of the Vestry of Paddington, with respect to a proposed sewer in an intended new street, on the North side of the Grand Junction Canal, Paddington.

Resolved—That the subject be referred to the Appeal Committee.

18. The Solicitor laid before the Board a print of the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Bill, to authorize the Company to make a new conduit, in lieu of certain portions of their authorized conduit, and for other purposes, and stated that he would report upon the same at the next Meeting of the Board.

19. Read a Report, as follows—

ACTON RATE.

In this case serious opposition was made to the Board. A large body of ratepayers appeared, and the case occupied a very long time. Counsel appeared against the Board, and Mr. Raymond was Counsel for the Board. In the result the Magistrate thought the objection made could not be sustained, and, although time was given to some parties, the Magistrate gave no effect to the opposition in substance, on any one ground.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

20. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Slee and Robinson, dated 25th November, 1865, calling attention to the alleged dilapidated and unsafe condition of the houses, Nos. 103 to 108, and 110 to 112, in White Horse-street, and Nos. 10 to 14, Butcher-row, Stepney, of which some clients of theirs were lessees, in consequence of the Main Drainage works having been carried under them; and a letter from the Contractor, Mr. Webster, dated 30th November, 1865, stating that no injury could possibly have been occasioned to the premises by the works, and requesting the Board to make an appointment for the Surveyor of the claimants to meet his Surveyor on the premises, in order to point out the alleged causes of complaint.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Silas Taylor, and

Resolved—That a copy of the Contractor's letter be forwarded to Messrs. Slee and Robinson.

21. The Solicitor laid before the Board an Agreement between Mr. Webster and his Sureties, and the Board, dated 2nd December, 1865, for varying the Contract for the construction of the Thames Embankment, South, together with the two Plans referred to therein.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Silas Taylor—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Agreement and Plans; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

22. The Solicitor laid before the Board a Notice from Messrs. Nash, Field, and Layton, on behalf of Mr. Anthony Blackborne, dated 9th December, 1865, claiming the sum of £300 for damage alleged to have been occasioned to the houses, Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Harlesden-place, Salmon-lane, Limehouse, by the works of the Board, and stating their intention to commence an Action; and a letter from the Contractor, Mr. Webster, dated 12th December, 1865, requesting the Board to arrange for the Engineer of the works to meet the representatives of the claimant, and himself, with a view to an arrangement being arrived at. The Solicitor reported that he had addressed a communication to Messrs. Nash, Field, and Layton, to the effect of Mr. Webster's letter.

23. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Mason, Sturt and Mason, dated 5th December, 1865, applying, on behalf of Mr. Lonsdale, for compensation in respect of damage alleged to have been occasioned to the house, No. 109, White Horse-street, by the Main Drainage Works, and forwarding a list of the dilapidations.

Resolved—That a copy of the said letter be forwarded to Mr. Webster, the Contractor.

24. The Solicitor reported that the City Traffic Bill was in print; that its general provisions were for regulating the traffic of the City, and that he would report upon it fully at the next Meeting of the Board.

25. The Solicitor reported, with reference to the case of James Miles, driver of cart, No. 18, belonging to Mr. W. Hearn, Contractor, who had been detected in sweeping a quantity of thick mud through a grating into the Main Northumberland-street Sewer, in Cockspur-street, that the offender could not be found, but that endeavours would be made to trace him.

26. Read a Report, as follows—

Re Bassett.

I have looked carefully at these papers, and to the Plan. I think the Board's attention was directed to the 76th Section of the Act of 1862, without considering the facts quite so fully as was necessary. The fact is (as I understand it) that the Board gave no consent to extend the buildings beyond the regular line of front. So far from it, the Board expressly required the party, and made the Order, on condition that the proper line of frontage should not be interfered with. It will be seen that the 76th Section in express terms relates only to cases where the Board has consented to erections beyond the regular line. It seems plain, therefore, that the case cannot come within the 76th Section.

If, however, the party is transgressing the law, and is building against the enactment of the 75th Section without the Board's consent, the District Board can, I think, safely and clearly summon the offender, and take all the steps pointed out by this last-named Section.

(Signed) W. W. SMITH.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Silas Taylor—That a copy of the Report be forwarded to the Vestry of St. Pancras.

27. The Solicitor reported that, in pursuance of the Resolution of the Board of the 15th instant, (No. 7), he had framed a Bye-law requiring persons applying for the sanction of the Board to the formation of streets of 20 feet in width, to pave the same over the entire surface, but that it required investigation by the Streets Committee, as to the subjects to be embraced in it, and otherwise.

Resolved, on the motion of Mr. Brooker—That the subject be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report.

28. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. Webster, Contractor, dated 12th December, 1865, with reference to the claim of Mr. Thomas Oliver for alleged damage to his houses in Dock-street, by the execution of the works of the Northern Low Level Sewer, declining to admit that any damage had resulted from the works to the premises in question, and requesting that it might be proposed to the claimaint that he, or his Surveyor, should meet the Contractor on the premises, with a view to a settlement of the claim, should any exist. The Solicitor reported that he had communicated with Mr. Oliver to the effect of Mr. Webster's letter.

29. The Solicitor laid before the Board, a letter from Messrs. Hamber and Harrison, on behalf of Mrs. Whyman and Mr. C. Neal, dated 4th December, 1865, with reference to alleged injury to a house and premises in Brook-street, Ratcliff, by the construction of the Northern Low Level Sewer; and a letter from Mr. Webster, the Contractor, denying that any damage had been occasioned to the premises in question by the execution of the works, and offering to request his Surveyor to meet the claimants, or any one on their behalf, upon the premises, for the purpose of examining the same. The Solicitor reported that he had communicated with Messrs. Hamber and Harrison, suggesting the adoption of the course proposed by Mr. Webster.

Resolved—That the request of Mr. Webster be complied with, and that a communication be addressed to the claimants accordingly.

30. Read a letter, as follows—

In Parliament, Session 1866.

LONDON, CHATHAM, AND DOVER RAILWAY (VARIOUS POWERS).

5, Bank Buildings, (Solicitor's Office),
16th December, 1865.

Gentlemen,

We beg to inform you that application is intended to be made to Parliament, in the ensuing Session, for an Act under the above name or title, whereby it is proposed to alter and in part repeal the Section numbered 68 of the London, Chatham, and Dover Railway (Additional Powers) Act, 1862, containing provisions for your protection or benefit in respect of the new street in the Parish of Christchurch, constructed by you.

We are, &c.,

To (Signed) H. W. & E. FRESHFIELD & NEWMAN.

The Metropolitan Board of Works.

It was **moved** by Mr. Collinson, seconded by Mr. Long, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Superintending Architect do specially report to that Committee thereon.

31. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Mr. J. E. Bradfield, dated 21st December, 1865, stating that the Promoters of the "Metropolitan Tramway Bill" had not complied with the Standing Order of the House of Commons, requiring that Plans and Sections of the proposed Railways should be deposited as therein stated, and requesting the interference of the Board in the matter; also forwarding a Pamphlet on the subject of Tramways or Railways on Metropolitan streets.

It was **moved** by Mr. Hows, seconded by Mr. Collinson, and

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Streets Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer and Superintending Architect do specially report to that Committee on the subject.

32. The Solicitor laid before the Board a letter from Messrs. Surr and Gribble, dated 20th December, 1865, stating, with reference to the proceedings against the Board in the Court of Queen's Bench, in relation to the Ranelagh Sewer, in the Parish of St. John, Hampstead, that since the indictment was preferred, new sewers had been constructed, and suggesting that further proceedings should be stayed, each party paying his own costs.

Resolved—That the said letter be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, for consideration and report, and that the Engineer do report to that Committee thereon.

33. The Solicitor having called attention to the examination of witnesses before and on the proceedings of the Royal Commission, to inquire into the subject of the Pollution of the River Thames,

It was **moved** by Mr. Long, seconded by Mr. Savage, and

Resolved—That it be referred to the Main Drainage Committee, to consider and report as to whether any, and if any, what, steps should be taken by the Board in the matter.

34. The Solicitor laid before the Board a deed of arrangement and surrender, by Mr. George Gray, to the Board, dated 20th December, 1865, of an Agreement between the Board and Mr. Gray, for granting him a lease of Plot, No 18, in Garrick-street.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said Deed; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

35. The Solicitor laid before the Board a form of Receipt, to be given by the Board to the Metropolis Sewage and Essex Reclamation Company, for the sum of £25,000, being the amount to be retained by the Board as a security, under the provisions of the Company's Act.

Resolved—That the said form of Receipt be approved, and signed by the Accountant of the Board.

36. The Board considered further the application of the Vestry of Camberwell for permission to borrow the sum of £26,000, for sewerage works, and it was **resolved** and **ordered**, as follows—

Whereas, the Vestry of the Parish of Camberwell, in the County of Surrey, under and pursuant to the provisions of the Metropolis Management Act, 1855, have applied to this Board for its sanction, in writing, to the borrowing by the said Vestry, on the security of the Sewers Rates leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of twenty-six thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying certain expenses incurred, or to be incurred, by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in the execution of certain works of Sewerage within the said Parish. And **whereas**, this Board have duly considered the matter of the said application, and it is made to appear to them fit and proper that the said sum should be borrowed by the said Vestry for the purposes aforesaid. Therefore it is **Ordered**, that the sanction, in writing, of this Board be given, and such sanction is hereby given, for the borrowing by the said Vestry of the Parish of Camberwell, on the security of the Sewers Rates leviable within the said Parish, of a sum of twenty-six thousand pounds, for the purpose of defraying expenses incurred, or to be incurred by them in the execution of the said Act, being expenses incurred, or to be incurred by the said Vestry, in the execution of the said works of Sewerage within the said Parish, such loan to bear interest at a rate not exceeding five pounds per centum, per annum, the principal to be repaid by thirty equal annual instal-

ments, commencing within one year after the date of the loan, and to be thereafter successively paid, and the interest on the said principal sum to be paid half-yearly.

The Clerk reported that the Vestry had requested to be supplied with a copy of the foregoing Order; and he laid before the Board a copy of the same.

Resolved—That the Common Seal of the Board be affixed to the said copy Order, and that it be transmitted to the said Vestry; and the Seal was affixed accordingly.

37. The Solicitor laid before the Board a further letter from Mr. J. Andrews, dated 19th December, 1865, setting forth the grounds of his claim, for repairs to the water-pipes of his houses, Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, Portland-place, St. Mark's-road.

Resolved—That a copy of the said letter be forwarded to Mr. Webster, the Contractor.

38. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 21st December, 1865, with reference to the application of Mr. Bassett, for the approval by the Board of the formation of roads upon land Northward of Queen's-road, Kentish Town, stating that several complaints had been received from persons interested in property in the neighbourhood that the line of frontage on the East side of Langford-road was being broken by the erection of a large building at the corner of Queen's-road, whereby the appearance and the course of Langford-road was injured, and recommending that Mr. Bassett and Mr. Golden, the builder, be informed that they are not at liberty to break a line of frontage without consent, and be referred to the 75th Section of the Act of 1862, and that the attention of the Local Board be directed to the complaints and to the above Section.

It was **moved** by Mr. Silas Taylor, seconded by Mr. Roche, and

Resolved—That communications to the effect recommended by the Superintending Architect, be addressed to Mr. Bassett and Mr. Golden, and that copies of the Report be transmitted to the Vestry of St. Pancras, and the District Surveyor.

39. Read a Report by the Superintending Architect, dated 20th December, 1865, on the Memorial of Mr. Charles F. Bohn, of No. 2, Danes Inn, Strand, on behalf of the Inhabitants of Arthur-street, Gray's Inn-road, and the adjacent streets, requesting the Board to interfere in respect of the stopping up of Arthur-street, by Messrs. Cubitt, of Gray's Inn-road.

Resolved, on the **motion** of Mr. Silas Taylor—That a copy of the Superintending Architect's Report be transmitted to the Vestry of St. Pancras, and that Mr. Bohn be informed thereof, on behalf of the Memorialists, and that their remedy must be sought through the Vestry.

Adjourned until Friday, the 5th January next, at this Office, at 12 o'clock, at noon.

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